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(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH.")

SYMPATHY FOR ROYAL INVALID.

WILD WEATHER IN BRITAIN.

DEADLY OIL POLLUTION.

London, Feb. 24. H. M. the King, when he leaves for his recuperative cruise in the Mediterranean, will sail on the historic Victoria and Albert. This yacht is now fitted with wireless, which can transmit up to about 1,000 miles and can receive from practically any distance, so that the King can be in wireless communication with home throughout the voyage and remain in constant touch with affairs.

Marquess Curzon made reference to His Majesty's illness in the House of Lords today. He said he hoped he might be allowed to go outside the ordinary practice of the House in expressing the deep concern with which members of the House had followed the record of His Majesty's illness, and the profound satisfaction which they felt at the news of his steady progress. They hoped that in consequence of the step about to be taken, absolute convalescence and a return to health might be assured.

The Poets signified their sympathetic concurrence.

TRADE UNION LEVY.

The New Conservative Bill.

London, Feb. 24. At a meeting of the "Central Council of the National Union of Conservative Associations," a resolution was passed urging the Government to support the private Bill of Mr. Macquister, which provides that trades unions shall only impose a levy for political purposes on members who have expressed a desire to pay it.

There was some opposition from working-men delegates. Prominent Conservative members of Parliament were present, but they included no members of the Government.

EX-PREMIER UNWELL.

Improvement Reported.

London, Feb. 24. Mr. Lloyd George has been unwell with respiratory trouble, but latest reports denote an improvement in his condition.

He has had a good night, and his temperature today was normal, although he is still suffering from his throat. It is hoped

FAMOUS ADMIRAL.

LINK WITH BOXER RISING.

Berlin, Feb. 24. The death has occurred of Admiral Von Usedom, at the age of seventy-one, celebrated during the Boxer troubles in China, when he commanded the German landing forces and acted under the famous order "Germans to the Front."

He defended the Dardanelles in the late war against the Allied naval forces.—*Reuter.*

LABOUR PARTY DIFFERENCES.

MOVE TOWARDS UNITY.

London, Feb. 24. Differences in the Labour Party were revealed in Labour leaders' speeches with reference to Mr. Kirkwood's motion in the House of Commons on the Prince

he will be able to return to London to-morrow from Birmingham.

TRIBUTE TO M. BRANTING.

A Friend to Britain.

London, Feb. 24. The newspapers here, in publishing the announcement of the death of M. Branting, ex-Premier of Sweden, pay tribute to his staunch support of the Allied cause during the late war, and to his powerful advocacy of the League of Nations.

The Liberal journal, the *Star*, adds that England gratefully remembers M. Branting's consistent friendship for the British people, and declares that many members of the late Labour Government of this country will especially lose in him a personal friend.

GALES AND HIGH SEAS.

With Snow and Sleet.

London, Feb. 24. Wild weather has been raging to-day throughout the British Isles. Intermittent violent gales have been accompanied by snow and sleet.

The English Channel has felt the full force of a southerly gale, the wind at times reaching a velocity of 60 miles an hour. Steamers have had difficult crossings to France, and fishing boats have hurried to shelter.

Terrific seas are breaking over the sea defence works at Folkestone and Dover.

OIL POLLUTION.

Slaughter of Birds and Fish.

London, Feb. 24. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, the President of the Board of Trade, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said he hoped arrangements would be made for an international conference on the subject of the suffering and loss of life to migratory birds and fish caused by oil discharged from ships.

He did not propose to introduce legislation limited to a national character while there was a chance of international action.

INDIAN POLITICS.

INDEPENDENTS DESERT SWARAJISTS.

Dolhi, Feb. 24. The end of the Nationalist compact of obstruction is indicated in the announcement that the Independents and Swarajists will vote separately on the railway Budget, the former on the merits of the Bill, while the latter will continue its obstructionism, though in the minority.—*Reuter.*

of Wales (to reduce the vote for expenses).

This was the subject of discussion at a private meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party after which it was officially announced that with a view to securing greater efficiency the Party executive had been instructed to consider and report upon, firstly Party discipline and unity, and secondly the attitude of the Labour Press.—*Reuter.*

GUNNER SENTENCED.

MAXIMUM PENALTY IMPOSED.

"You have been found guilty of an offence less serious than the one with which you were charged, but the moral character is equally blameworthy. You were guilty of a deliberate brutal attack upon a little girl. It is a monstrous thing that girls proceeding from school on the King's highway should be treated as you treated this girl. The maximum sentence the law allows is three years' imprisonment, and I propose to give you that sentence."

In those words the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) this morning passed sentence on Gunner James Element, who was yesterday found guilty of attempted rape.

Mr. H. S. Fitzroy made an eloquent appeal on prisoner's behalf in the closing stages of the case, urging the jury to accept the prisoner's statement that he was a victim of a conspiracy. He had only arrived at the Fort that morning; the others might have known who committed the offence but decided to let the newcomer bear the brunt. Prisoner had denied that the jersey which was found was his. Even were it his jersey, then it did not follow that he was wearing it that day. Mr. Fitzroy then argued at some length as to the nature of the offence which had been committed.

POPULAR OFFICIAL.

DR. McKENNY GOES ON LEAVE.

One of Hongkong's most popular Government officials, in the person of Dr. C. W. McKenny, Medical Officer in charge of the Government Civil Hospital, left to-day by the s.s. *Kamo Maru* on well-earned leave. On Sunday night, he was entertained to dinner at the South China Hotel by the medical students of the University, when numerous complimentary speeches were delivered.

During his stay in the Colony, Dr. McKenny has proved himself a most efficient and painstaking officer. He has given of his best in a position entailing much hard work and concentrated effort, and he has been popular alike with his staff, patients at the Hospital and the public generally. Combined with marked abilities as a professional man, he has shown himself to be possessed of an urbanity of disposition which has won him a very wide circle of friends, who wish for him a very happy and beneficial holiday in the Old Country.

ROBBER RESISTED.

VICTIM SERIOUSLY HURT.

Early this morning a visit was made by an armed robber at an unnumbered house in Wanchai, and in the course of a struggle following discovery of his presence in the house, he used his dagger on one of the occupants, who was seriously injured in the head. An attempt was made to open a drawer in which was a sum of \$210, but this had to be abandoned when the prospective victim put up a struggle. After inflicting several wounds on the man, the robber ran out of the house and escaped in an unknown direction.

THE "HEUNGSHAN."

IN TAIKOO DOCK.

The s.s. *Heungshan*, which had been moored off Lai-chikok since her salvage by a Chinese concern, was towed to Taikoo yesterday, where, we learn, she is in dry dock and open to inspection by dock interests for the purpose of tenders for her thorough repair. It is believed that the costs of repairing the vessel will run into a very high figure, though her engines are in fair condition and her frame is not badly strained.

STEAMER ASHORE.

WEST RIVER MISHAP.

At two o'clock on Tuesday morning, the Hongkong-Kongmoon steamer *Kung On*, Captain R. Best, went ashore at Tea Mi, a point about five miles inside Wang Moon, and on the starboard side of the Sallam Channel. The weather at the time was squally, with a very heavy downpour of rain, and it was pitch dark. The channel is only about 300 feet wide at this point, and as it is absolutely unlighted, it is a wonder that groundings are not more frequent in this locality than they are.

The *Kung On* was observed to be still aground at late as 9 o'clock last night. She had a list of about 10 degrees to port. A junk was alongside discharging part of her cargo, which consisted chiefly of rice.

H.M.S. *Robin* was observed standing by, obviously to render assistance if necessary, and to keep away piratically-inclined people. The *Kung On* is still hanging on to the shore with her bow.

WEST RIVER NEWS.

SEARCH FOR COMMAND-EERED LAUNCH.

A Wuchow correspondent, writing under date of yesterday, stated: "The water is now slowly rising in the West River, but it is still falling a little at times. As much as 10 feet of water has been sounded, recently on the Second Bar near Wuchow, but yesterday there was only 9 ft. 5 in. (2 ft. 3 in. on the tide gauge at Wuchow). The weather the last week has been mostly overcast and rainy, to the great hindrance of safe navigation in the river."

H.M.S. *Cicala* and *Robin* left Pakkai on Monday morning to try and locate the steam launch *Tack Hing*, which was recently commandeered by Chinese military men. They will endeavour to get her returned, but it will be a difficult job to find her just now, as the procedure usually followed by the Chinese Generals in such cases is to send the vessels up some obscure and nearly inaccessible crooks, in which these waters abound.

Severe fighting is reported from 23 miles up to Foo River, but the various rumours about the results are so contradictory that little credence can be put in any of them.

A CHINESE GRIEVANCE.

BOAT PEOPLE AND RECLAMATIONS.

The following is a brief translation of an article appearing in the local vernacular paper *Wah Yee Yat Po*:

Hongkong being a seaport in the typhoon zone, the Government has very considerably constructed shelters for small boats. Though the area of the typhoon refugia at Causeway Bay is limited, it has been of great benefit to the many boatpeople, who use it all the year round. These people now fear that, as the reclamation in the vicinity is progressed with, the area at their shelter will continuously decrease. The number of boats using this refugia has multiplied during the past twenty years, while the accommodation if reduced will not provide sufficient shelter in typhoon weather. Formerly the Bowrington Canal could also accommodate a fair number of boats in bad weather, but this canal has been filled up. It is evident that the reclamation of part of the Causeway Bay refugia, for widening of the roadway, will be a great drawback. It is hoped the authorities will take these facts into due consideration, and afford sufficient shelter in rough weather to those who seek a livelihood in the harbour."

A FINE YACHT.

TO BE BUILT FROM LOCAL MATERIALS.

Commodore James Griffiths, of the Seattle Yacht Club, who arrived here some time ago on the *Empress of Australia* from Vancouver, has now placed an order at this port for materials for building a new motor yacht, which is going to be constructed entirely of teakwood. Commodore Griffiths is considered one of the most prominent yachtsmen of Seattle and is already owner of the *Sueja*, the flagship of the Seattle Yacht Club. It is expected that when his new yacht is completed, it will be one of the finest vessels of its type on the Pacific Ocean. The plans for the new yacht were drawn by Mr. J. E. Geary, a well known Seattle naval architect and skipper of the R. class sloop *Sir Tom*.

The new boat will be christened the *Sueja*, it is announced. The vessel, according to the specifications, should be fast as well as of comfortable dimensions, being 116 ft. long, 19 ft. beam and 7 ft. 6 inches deep. She will be powered with two 180 horsepower motor engines.

Commodore Griffiths wanted to build this yacht at Hongkong, as he says he found building prices too steep on the Pacific Coast of the U.S.A. Even with duty and cost of the delivery to Seattle, the craft could be built more cheaply here in the Orient than at Seattle or San Francisco, it is said. It is understood that the veteran Puget Sound yachtsman will put his present flagship, the *Sueja*, on the market when the new craft is completed.

Captain A. J. Hailoy, the commander of the *Empress of Australia*, was shown the model of the new yacht by Commodore Griffiths when the latter came over with him, and stated that she had some of the most beautiful lines that he had ever seen on a motor yacht.

We now learn that Commodore Griffiths approached several shipyards here with his order, but he wanted his yacht finished in June, and found nobody willing to guarantee delivery in such a short time. He has therefore changed his order so that all the materials for the vessel will be bought here and then sent to Seattle to be assembled. The hull, beams and "knees" will all be made from teakwood, and no iron or steel will be used in her construction. Copper bolts and rivets will therefore be employed for her hull, and it is stated that the motor will be made in U.S.A. from non-magnetic metals only.

It is understood that Commodore Griffiths wishes his yacht finished so early because he intends to compete in the great sailing yacht race between San Francisco and Tahiti, which will start from San Francisco in June. At least six schooner yachts will compete, and it will be the longest yacht race ever undertaken, as the distance from San Francisco to Tahiti is slightly over 3,400 miles.

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At the forthcoming annual meeting of the Hongkong Electric Company Ltd., to be held on 14th March, the Board of Directors will recommend, subject to audit, that the balance available for distribution be disposed of as follows:—

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SUDDEN DEATH IN MANILA.

HEAD OF SEATTLE COMMISSION DROPS DEAD.



The members of the Seattle Commercial Commission to the Orient, who were recently in Hongkong, suffered a heavy and unexpected loss by the sudden death, whilst visiting Manila, of the head of the Commission, Captain J. S. Gibson, whose photograph is given above. It appears that Captain Gibson had attended a dance at the Army and Navy Club, shortly after which he dropped dead in the street, from heart failure.

The late Captain Gibson was an extremely well-known business man in the States, and amongst the positions he held were the Presidencies of the International, the Washington, the Victoria and Vancouver, and the Oregon Stovedoring Companies. During his recent visit to Hongkong, he met many business men, all of whom were much impressed by Captain Gibson's ability and geniality.

The Commission which the late Captain Gibson headed in representative leading industries of the United States, Pacific North West, and it is touring the Orient to study trade conditions, as well as to extend to business interests an invitation to attend the 12th annual convention of the National Foreign Trade Council, to be held at Seattle in June.

The greatest sympathy is felt for the members of the Commission in the heavy blow which has fallen on them by the death of their respected leader.

MERCANTILE MARINE.

LEGISLATIVE CONCESSIONS.

London, Feb. 24. The House of Lords has passed the second reading of the Merchant Shipping Bill, giving effect to a number of draft conventions of the Washington labour conference of 1920, laying down a minimum age for the employment of trimmers and stokers, and compensating seamen who lose their employment through the foundering of ships.

Lord Morville urged that legislative effect be delayed until the other signatories to the convention had taken similar action. Lord Peel promised to convey this suggestion to the Board of Trade.—*Reuter.*

THE OIL AGE.

AN AMERICAN'S APPREHENSIONS.

Washington, Feb. 24. Rear Admiral Phelps, of the Naval General Board, declares that the bulk of the world's supply of oil is under English control, and within another generation, when the American pools have been drained, as they are now being drained not only by America but also by England and Japan to conserve their own oil reserve, America's navy and merchant marine will be at England's mercy.

He added: "You will be glad to buy petrol at a dollar a gallon."

He also expressed the opinion that America's ambition to build a large merchant marine had created animosity among English shipping interests.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SOVIET RAW MATERIALS.

AN UNRENEWED ADVERTISEMENT.

London, Feb. 24. In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Mackinder as to why the Government had decided not to renew the contract entered into last year with Arcos, Limited, of London, to advertise Russian raw materials on the backs of Government publications, Mr. Samuel said the Government was unwilling that advertisements of a firm described as the sole purchasing and selling agents of a Government which had not met its obligations towards British subjects should be admitted into British official publications.

He was of opinion that the majority of the House and the country would support him on this occasion. (Loud Conservative cheers and Labour counter cheers).—*Reuter.*

FOOTBALL.

HOME LEAGUES.

London, Feb. 24. The following are latest football results:—

Third division of the English League, northern section: Rochdale 5, Doncaster 2. Bradford 0, Darlington 0. Scottish League: Partick 3, Queens Park 1. Celtic 0, Hamilton 4.—*Reuter.*

INTER-ARMY MATCH.

London, Feb. 24. In the Inter-Army triangular "soccer" tournament, Belgium beat Britain by 4 goals to 2.—*Reuter.*

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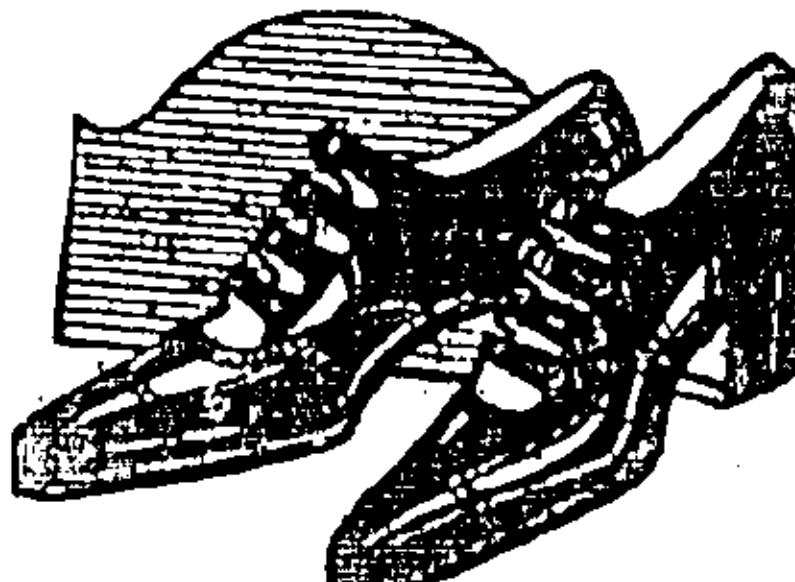
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

ROD IN PICKLE FOR SALE.

Melbourne, February 24.

Mr. S. M. Bruce, (the Premier) published the balance sheet of the Commonwealth Line of Steamers for the six months ending March 31, 1924, showing a loss of £245,000, in addition to losses of £1,172,000 in 1921-22 and £1,020,000 in 1922-23. The Board report to the Government definitely states the opinion that the line cannot be run without further loss, while the ships are of Australian register. The Government is therefore immediately inviting tenders to purchase the line as a going concern on the condition that the line be retained in Australian trade with regular and efficient services, and that passenger and freight rates are not increased and that no arrangement is made with any shipping combine.—Reuter.

AMBASSADORSHIP FOR M. TROTSKY.

London, February 24.

The Moscow correspondent of the Daily Express says that M. Trotsky will probably be offered the Ambassadorship to Japan. The acceptance of the position depends on the state of his health. M. Joffe, the present Soviet Ambassador to Austria, is mentioned as alternative if M. Trotsky declines the offer.—Reuter.

KING'S HEALTH IMPROVING.

London, February 24.

The King experienced a good night. The doctors visited him this morning, but no bulletin was issued. It is most probable that if the present rate of progress is maintained there will be no further bulletin except a final one announcing His Majesty's convalescence.—Reuter.

ACROSS AFRICA BY MOTOR CAR.

Paris, February 24.

The French automobile expedition coming from Senegal has arrived at Massauah on the Red Sea, having effected the first crossing of Africa, a distance of 6,000 kilometers, despite numerous difficulties.—Havas.

OBITUARY.

Stockholm, February 24.

The death is announced of M. Branting, ex-Premier of Sweden.—Reuter.

SINGAPORE CRIME.

THERE CHARGED WITH MURDER.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, February 24.

A sequel to the recent shooting incident, when three Chinese shot a compatriot and two Eurasians, Eric and Noel de Souza, who gave chase, was heard to-day by the City Coroner. The Eurasians are still inmates of the hospital. The wounded Chinese died in hospital ten days after admission. Dr. Leicester, said deceased had two wounds, one penetrating the abdomen and the other bullet travelling right through him. A Chinese detective said he had kept watch at a coffee-shop on the day of the shooting as he had heard there was going to be a settlement between the Sun-wai-khuan Secret Society and the Woh-lee Secret Society. Shortly after seven o'clock he heard gunshots and saw a man running towards Selegie road. He gave chase and a Malay, who was near the Juricksha depot tripped the running man and witness seized him. He saw the man throw something away and after taking the man to the police station witness returned to the spot and met another policeman who handed him a knife which had been found in a drain.

After further evidence the Coroner brought in a verdict of culpable homicide, amounting to murder against the three prisoners. A Magisterial inquiry will be held shortly.

OBITUARY.

MR. PETER JOHNS.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, February 24.

Mr. Peter Johns, Shanghai representative of Arthur Davy of Bradford, woolen and worsted manufacturer, died yesterday of pneumonia.

CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

LATEST CHANGES.

Mr. E. W. Richards, second officer, Soochow, is on reserve. Captain J. Oudney, of the Hsin Peking, is on leave. Captain A. McDowell, from reserve, has gone master, Hsin Peking.

Mr. J. Grossett, sup'y chief officer, Shengking, has gone sup'y chief officer, Hsin Peking.

Mr. T. Ogier, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Taiming. Mr. O. B. Wilks, chief officer, Taiming, is on reserve.

Mr. W. Pollock, third engineer, Yingchow, has gone third engineer, Nanchang. Mr. A. C. Tidbury, second engineer, Nanchang, is on reserve. Mr. W. Curran, from reserve, has gone second engineer, Nanchang.

Mr. J. W. Bertram, third engineer, Shengking, has gone third engineer, Yingchow.

Mr. J. Moodie, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Chipahing. Mr. C. Nock, second officer, Cheongahing, has gone second officer, Chipahing.

Captain W. W. Hipkin, of the Cheongahing, has gone master, Hopsang. Captain N. W. Van Cortlandt, of the Hopsang, is on leave.

Mr. A. Pittendrigh, acting second officer, Sulsang, has gone third officer, Namsang.

Mr. A. A. Garrard, third officer, Namsang, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. H. A. P. Meik, second officer, Namsang, has gone second officer, Hongsang. Mr. K. D. Fairfax, second officer, Hongsang, is on reserve.

Mr. J. R. Middenway, from leave, has gone chief officer, Loongwo. Mr. E. Gostling, acting chief officer, Loongwo, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. W. J. Young, sup'y second officer, Kinging, has gone sup'y second officer, Fausang.

Mr. T. R. Lucas, second officer, Kinging, has gone second officer, Chunsang.

Captain T. M. Meyrick, from leave, has gone master, Kinging. Mr. E. V. Bishop, acting master, Kinging, is on leave.

Mr. E. P. Kirby, acting chief officer, Suifu, has gone second officer, same ship. Mr. J. Sturgeon, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Suifu.

Mr. L. V. Barr, sup'y third engineer, Kungwo, has gone sup'y third engineer, Luenho. Mr. H. L. Lee, sup'y third engineer, Luenho, has resigned.

Mr. A. McNay, from leave, has gone second engineer, Pingwo.—Shipping and Engineering.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

LECTURE AT UNION ASSEMBLY HALL.

The Hongkong University Education Society held its first meeting in the Union Assembly Hall last evening, when Professor J. W. N. Smith, M.A., gave a lecture on "Oxford University." Mr. W. W. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University, presided. The greater part of the lecture dealt with the history of Oxford University, special reference being made by the lecture to Merton, Christ Church and the Trinity Colleges. The lecture, especially Professor Smith's amusing reminiscences of this Oxford days, proved very entertaining to the students, and it gave those desiring to continue their studies in England some idea of the great educational centre of that country.

THREE WISE FOOLS.

A NOTABLE CAST.

The cast which appears in "Three Wise Fools," King Vidor's first Goldwyn picture, which is coming to the World theatre today, is one of those capable casts which have come to be associated with Goldwyn pictures. The film was adapted from Austin Strong's successful comedy-drama by King Vidor, who also directed it.

Eleanor Boardman, who made such a striking success as Homestead in "Rupert Hughes," "Souls for Sale," is featured in the role of Sydney Fairchild, a young woman who, upon the death of her mother, was left to the care of three crabbed old bachelors, who had been unsuccessful suitors for the mother's hand. Miss Boardman lends vivacity and charm to the role and acts with intelligence and finesse.

The "three wise fools" of the title are played by Claude Gillingwater, William H. Crane and Alec Francis.

Others in the cast are John Sainpolis, who has many stage and screen characterizations of outstanding merit to his credit; Brinsley Shaw, a recruit from the stage, who has found a fruitful field for his talents on the silver screen; Lucien Littlefield, a well known screen character actor; Zs Su Pitts, who is well known in leading roles and has since played the part of Trina in "Greed," Eric von Stroheim's picturization of

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"SCARAMOUCHE."

Rich in pageantry, impressive in the scope of its sweeping action and tense drama, "Scaramouche," Rex Ingram's Metro masterpiece from Rafael Sabatini's famous romance, is now showing to good houses at the Queen's Theatre.

In New York, where its good run at the 44th Street Theatre attracted national notice, critics hailed it as a great demonstration of Rex Ingram's genius, and a crowning achievement of motion pictures. Ingram has not only given it heart and soul, but he has given it brain, and fashioned "Scaramouche" with the deft hands of a master who was inspired with original vision.

Ramon Novarro, Alice Terry and Lewis Stone head a long list of celebrated players. Around the hopes and ambitions and passions of these three is spun the web of fate that catches them helplessly in its net, makes them puppets of inexorable destiny, and tosses them helplessly into tangled mazes of royal intrigue.

Frank Norris' "McTeague." In the flash-back sequence showing the "three wise fools" as youths, Craig Hiddle, Jr. plays Findlay; Creighton Hale, Trumbull; Raymond Hatton, Dr. Gaunt; Martha Mattox, Fred J. Butler; Charles Hickman, Fred Esmeilton and William Haines are also in the cast.

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HOMESTERS BRILLIANT REPLY.

Sydney, February 24.—In sultry weather, 5,700 people assembled at the Sydney Cricket Ground to-day to see New South Wales bring their score to 516 for 5 wickets in the match against the M.C.C. The wicket was wearing well, but the bowling lacked sting and was not difficult. Throughout the batsmen had complete mastery of the bowling. Collins scored 173, including a five and 13 fours. He batted for 267 minutes. Andrews batted for 296 minutes and scored 224. His brilliant hitting all round the wicket included 13 fours. His is the highest score made against the tourists. He and Collins scored 270 in three hours which is a record for a second wicket stand in N.S.W.-M.C.C. matches.

The fielding was good; Gilligan was brilliant. A draw is inevitable, in view of the Test on Friday.—*Reuter.*

INVENTED ANIMALS.

Some Queer Results.

Visit a dog show, and look at the animals exhibited there. Compare a St. Bernard, a bulldog, and a Pekinese, and try to remember, impossible as it may seem, that they were all bred from a common stock.

Man performs miracles with plants, making wild grass into heavy-headed wheat, and changing seaside weeds into giant cabbages, writes T. C. Bridges in the *Daily Dispatch*. Yet all his efforts in this direction are not so strange as the results obtained by cross-breeding different varieties of birds and beasts.

It has recently been announced that a well-known fancier has bred tumbler pigeons to such a point that they can only throw somersaults, but no longer fly. The variety of pigeon known as the dragon is almost equally different from its wild progenitor. In America a fancier has produced a fowl that is practically featherless. He is under the impression that such a bird will put all the energy formerly given to forming feathers into producing eggs. English experts regard this experiment with scorn.

It is in England, however, that the turkey has been crossed with the Wyandotte fowl. The cross, known as the "churkey," was shown in 1923 at the National Utility Poultry Show. While the body of this bird resembles that of a fowl, it has the head and wattles of a turkey. Another strange bird hybrid is the "awoce," which is half-swan half-geese.

THE ZEBRULLE.

Among animals, one of the most promising crosses is that between the zebra and the horse. The first was born in 1896 at Ponyculik, in Middlethian, and the Indian Government has since purchased some of these hybrids for draught purposes. The zebulle is hardy, a good trotter, and can stand extremes of heat and cold. Full grown, it stands about 14 hands, and is strong and stocky.

In Canada a new beef animal has come into being from crossing Hereford cattle with the bison. The creature has the oddest appearance, having the white face of the Hereford with the mane and hump of the bison.

The lion and tiger will breed together, and the offspring has the tiger's body with the lion's head. The leopard and puma have been successfully crossed, and so have the leopard and the lion.

WILD EXAMPLES.

The best of our common ferrets are the result of a cross between the white ferret and the English polecat. The ferret has also been crossed with the common stoat. Now and valuable varieties of sheep have been produced by crossing domestic varieties with the giant wild sheep of Asia, while park deer and English pheasants have been similarly improved by the introduction of wild blood.

Among creatures in the wild state crossbreeding is extremely rare, but last year there was found, at Blood's Creek, in South Australia, a litter of puppies which are undoubtedly a cross between the Australian dingo, or wild dog, and the fox. The discovery has alarmed the sheep farmers, who fear that such a cross will prove a very real peril to their flocks.

COTTON STRIKE.

TWO MILLS TO RESUME.

Shanghai, February 24.—The strike situation is easier and intimidation has stopped. Two mills employing seven thousand people have decided to resume tomorrow.

It is reported that the strikers have reduced their demands to applying for the cessation of assaults by overseers and the reinstatement of all employees with no victimisation. The demand for increased pay has been dropped.—*Reuter.*

MAGNETIC EYE.

A Strange Invention.

Every particle of matter is believed to be constantly dissipating energy, and more than one man of science has claimed to have demonstrated the existence of rays with remarkable properties emanating from the human body, particularly from the nerves and muscles. Such were the "V" rays which Major Dargot, a French investigator, claimed to have discovered, and the "N" rays of M. Blondlot. They were, it was said, capable of enhancing electric sparks, and when originating in the heart, the diaphragm, and certain muscles, could pass through thin sheets of aluminium, which stopped those coming from the nerves or the brain, though the brain was specially active in emitting them. But, so far, the claims of the discoverers of these rays have not been substantiated by other investigators.

They are recalled, however, by the announcement, made in the *Times* the other day, that an order has just been made by the Patent Office restoring Letters Patent granted seven years ago to Mr. Charles Russ, M.B., M.R.C.S., for an invention entitled "An instrument which is set in motion and whose motion is controlled by the human eye, that is, by vision."

HOW IT WORKS.

This is accomplished by a "delicate solenoid of metallic wire suspended near two charged insulated conductors." This temporary magnet can be moved at will simply by directing one or both eyes at either extremity. The same movement can also be communicated to the solenoid when it is suspended in the magnetic field of a second solenoid, and the interposition of screens of glass or celluloid between the solenoid and the eye is unable to affect its movement when the eye is focussed on it.

Apparently the inventor of this remarkable instrument has convinced himself that rays, or some form of radiation from the eye, are the effective and only cause of the movement, as his experiments have been prolonged for several years, but it would be interesting to know if he has formed any opinion as to the nature of the rays, and whether he has tested the phenomenon with his own eyes only, or has convinced himself that the same power is possessed by all human eyes.

So many marvellous things have been discovered in the last quarter of a century that nothing can be dismissed as improbable. It was twenty years after Clerk-Maxwell theoretically demonstrated the existence of electric waves in the ether that Herz proved their existence, and another decade elapsed before Marconi commercially utilised their marvellous properties. X-rays were discovered almost by accident by Röntgen, but it was left to investigators like Sir W. H. Bragg to prove their real nature. It is not easy to see what use can be made of Mr. Russ's invention, assuming it is based on a real phenomenon, but like so many other scientific discoveries it may prove capable of unexpected developments and applications.

NO SECOND CLASS.

Second class berths are to be done away with on all steamers of the Orient Line, said Sir Kenneth Anderson, Director of the Company, at a luncheon in the new liner *Oronsay*, following her successful speed trials on the Clyde. This is the third of the Company's fleet of ton vessels to be fitted for first class only, and Sir Kenneth Anderson said the conversion of all their ships to that system would be completed as soon as possible.

ROWING.

CREW FOR MANILA.

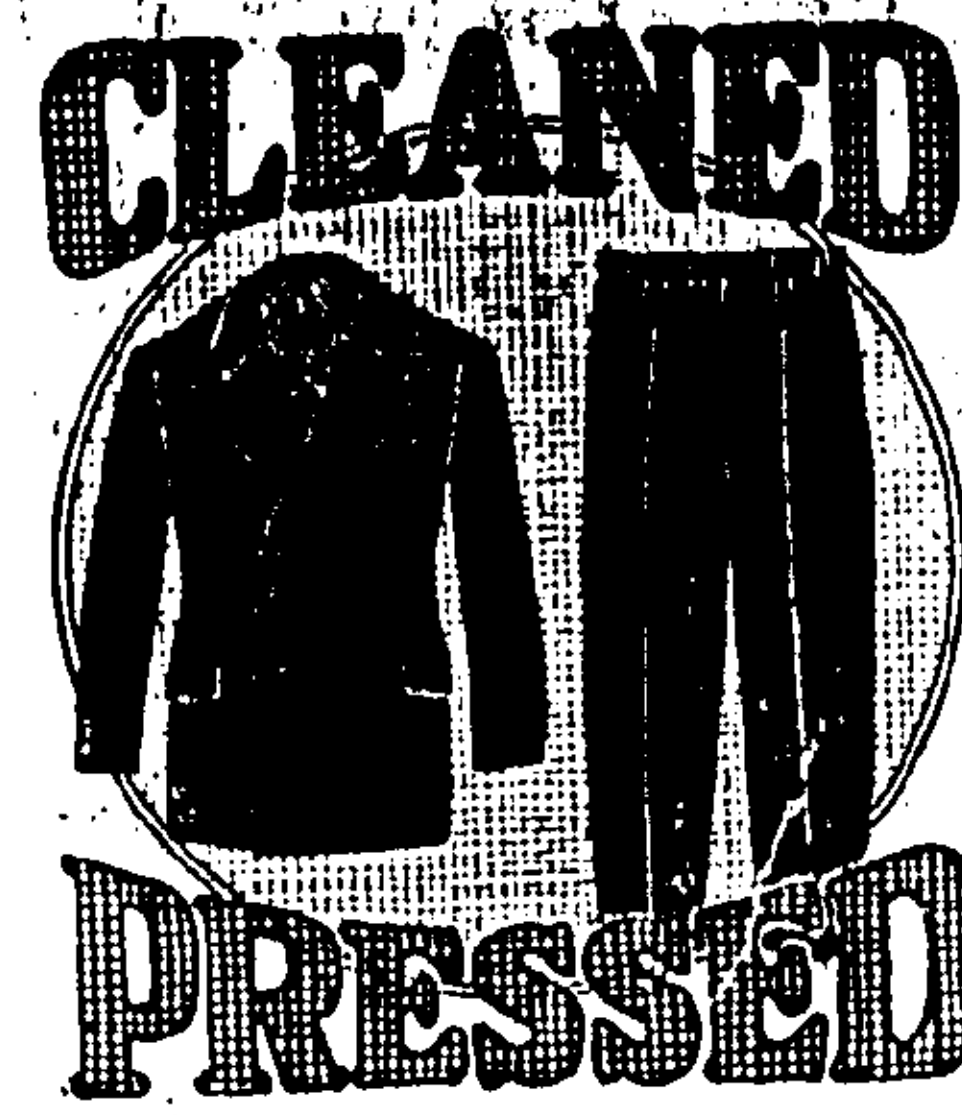
Training of the crews to go from the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club to row against Manila has been going on this week with some difficulty. Owing to the fact that stroke of the four, A. C. Groves, has been unable for two nights to do any rowing, the other three have been going out behind a substitute stroke and of course this has not assisted the training, which is being carried on by Mr. F. J. Easterbrook and Dr. E. P. Minett.

However the others are showing up well and before the crew leaves on Saturday on the s.s. *Yuen Sang* it is hoped they will have the finishing touches put on.

It has now been discovered that it will not be possible to send a sculler to contest the third event, the single sculls, and so it is being arranged to carry out a suggestion that originated with Manila. This is that in addition to the pair our event a pair out of each boat shall row a third event, thus making the contest one for fours and two races for pairs.

So far the Hongkong four has not been split up to try their strength against each other but in any event the pairs will be either Rasmussen and Bishop or Groves and Easterbrook. The latter are a light pair and the latter heavy, and before the end of the week they will be tested against each other.

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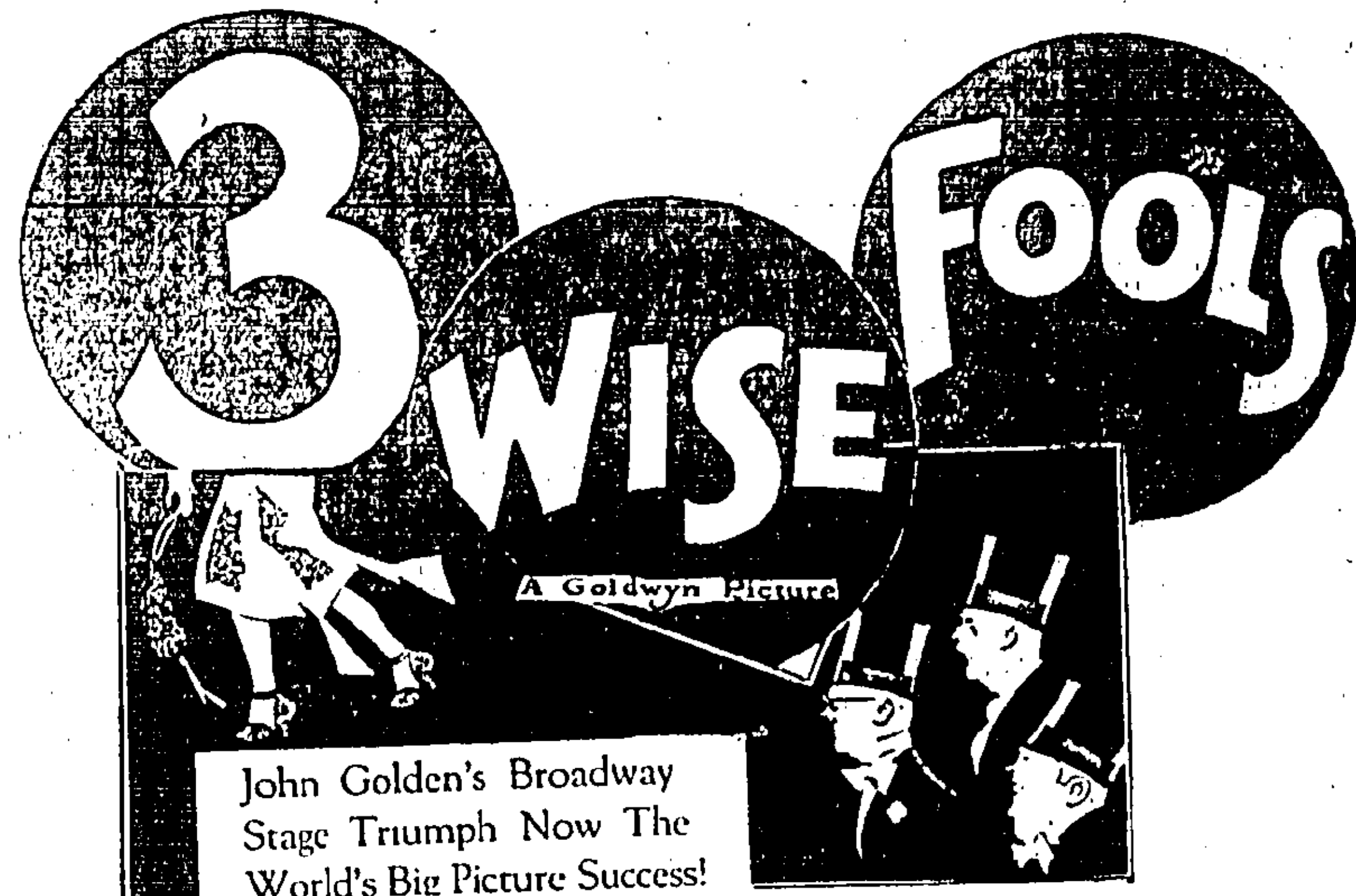
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ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY.

ANNUAL DINNER.

THE annual dinner of the Society will be held on SATURDAY, February 28th at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden. F. P. WILLIAMS.

RATIONALIST PRESS
ASSOCIATION.

THE SECOND ANNUAL DINNER of the Hongkong branch of the Rationalist Press Association will be held in the Hongkong Hotel March 14th at 8 p.m. Members and non-members wishing to be present please communicate with the Acting Local Sec. Secretary.

P. T. LAMBLE,

Sanitary Board Officer.

Hongkong, 25th Feb. 1925.

NOTICE

In the Matter of Indian Companies Act, 1913

and

In the Matter of the New India Assurance Co., Ltd.

THE NEW INDIA ASSURANCE CO., LTD., Petitioner.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition has been presented to the High Court of Judicature at Bombay for confirming a special resolution of the above Company for reducing its capital from Rupees twenty crores divided into 800,000 shares of Rs. 250 each to Rupees ten crores divided into 800,000 shares of Rs. 125 each. A list of the persons admitted to have been creditors of the Company on the 15th day of October 1924 may be inspected at the offices of the Company at the Central Bank Buildings, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay at any time during business hours on payment of a charge of Rupee one.

Any person who claims to have been on the last mentioned day and still to be a creditor of the Company and who is not entered on the said list and claims to be so entered must, on or before the 30th day of June 1925 send in his name and address and the particulars of his claim and the name and address of his attorneys if any to the undersigned at Mercantile Bank Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay or in default thereof he will be precluded from objecting to the proposed reduction of capital.

Dated this 5th day of Feb. 1925.

PAYNE & CO.

Attorneys for the Company.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE First Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday February 28th 1925 commencing at 2.30 p.m. The first ball will be rung at 2 p.m. The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Tickets to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each up to Friday February 28th.

The Stewards invite the ladies of Hongkong to be present.

NOTICE.

ALL accounts outstanding against the Estate of the late W. A. J. Cooper (deceased) are to be sent in to the undersigned not later than 26th Feb. 1925.

H. A. LAMMERT,

Bank of Canton Building.

19th. February 1925.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

THE Final Dividend declared for the year ending 31st. December 1924, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is payable on and after the 23rd February 1925 at the offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for warrants.

By order of The Court of Directors

A. H. BARLOW,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 21st. Feb. 1925.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, March 3rd, 1925, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1924.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from FRIDAY, February 20th, 1925, to TUESDAY, March 3rd, 1925, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By order of the Board of Directors, F. H. CRAPNELL, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, February 13th. 1925.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on Thursday, the 26th February 1925 at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st. December 1924, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday the 16th February 1925 until Thursday 26th February 1925, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th February 1925.

HONGKONG ANGLING CLUB.

THE First Annual Meeting will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on MONDAY, 2nd March 1925, at 5.30 p.m.

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NOTICE.

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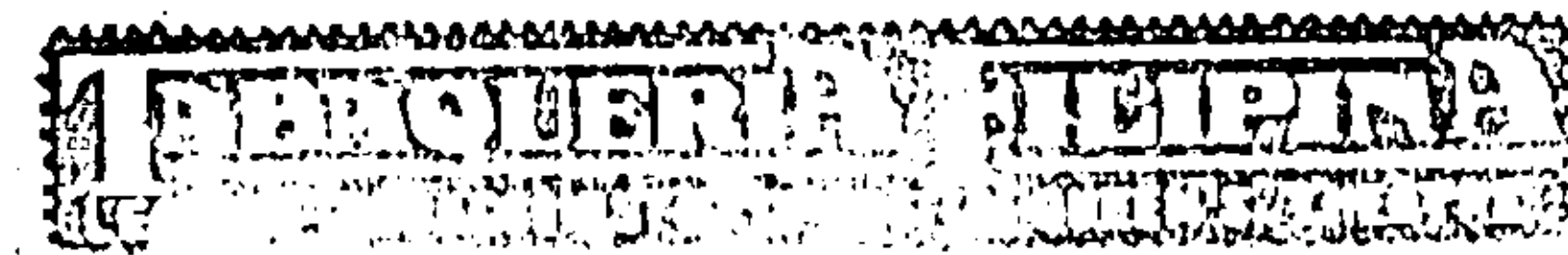
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Persian And Turkish Treasures.

Few objects of greater interest and value have lately been acquired by the Trustees of the British Museum than the excellent collection of Oriental manuscripts that once formed part of the library of the late Sultan Abdul-Hamid, says a Times correspondent.

In April last year the Trustees learnt that this fine collection, then in the possession of a Cairo gentleman, was to be disposed of, and immediately, in conjunction with the University of Michigan and a well-known London connoisseur in Oriental art, steps were taken to examine and jointly secure the manuscripts. What the whole story of the adventure of this literary treasure has been, from the time of the Sultan's deposition in 1908 until a few years ago, is a matter of conjecture. Some time during that interval Khalil Pasha, the Sultan's Chamberlain, apparently sold the manuscripts to an Italian subject, and Mr. Pierpont Morgan, at the time of his death in Italy, was on the point of concluding their purchase for his own library. Subsequently they found their way to Egypt.

In the investigation of the literary possessions of such a notorious personality as Abdul-Hamid, one inevitably looked for the impress of his unusual mentality upon some items or sections of the collection. In that respect it was a disappointment. But for what it lacked in interest of that kind it made abundant amends in absolute worth and value. Only the briefest indication of the rich contents of the Museum share of the collection can be given here, and before the full significance for Oriental studies of this addition to the British Museum Library can be estimated much further investigation will be required.

HISTORY, RELIGION, POETRY.

Half the collection of 400 manuscripts are in the Persian language, the other half about equally divided between Arabic and Turkish. The departments of literature most fully represented are history, religion, and poetry; but there is a very welcome sprinkling of works on many less hackneyed subjects, such as archery—represented by a beautiful unique Arabic treatise done for the library of a Mamluk Sultan in A.H. 780; the harnessing and management of horses, and especially the use of the stirrup, are treated in another unique Arabic work composed in the 15th century for a certain Saizar Khushit, and containing a large number of quaint diagrams. The duties of various Court functionaries under the Safavi Kings of Persia are related in an elegantly written and bound Persian work. The proportion of very early Arabic works, dating from the 10th to the 12th century A.D. is unusually large. Two or three merit special mention. One is a unique apocalyptic history of the insurrections in Islam. The contents were received in Egypt in A.H. 280, and the present copy written in Damascus in A.H. 706. Christian writings of this type have lately received much attention. For comparative purposes, therefore, one manuscript will have great interest.

One fine old Arabic codex of the 10th century and another of the 13th are paleographically invaluable, since they supply much desired data for fixing the age of manuscripts written in the western or maghribi Arabic hand.

MAXIMS OF MOHAMMED.

It is well known to Orientalists that, owing to the disastrous invasion and subjugation of Persia by the Mongols during the first half of the 13th century, the number of extant manuscripts written in Persian before that period is extremely small. One of the finest of the fortunate remnant is to be found among Abdul-Hamid's manuscripts. A unique copy, written in a beautiful old naskhi hand in A.D. 1189, it is a collection of very apposite and instructive maxims, mainly by Mohammed, and is in pleasing contrast to the jejune sayings and traditions usually attributed to him. The text is in Arabic with a translation and an elaborate commentary in Persian. The latter will constitute a veritable storehouse of early Persian literary forms, inasmuch as it has not suffered from the modernizing tendencies which have operated so disastrously in Persia as elsewhere.

In the department of poetry the greatest "find" is the unique copy of the Persian and Turkish divans, or collected poems of

BRITONS ON STAMPS.

Foreign Appreciation.

The English postal authorities have always frowned upon commemorative issues, though it was our own Jubilee postcard and envelope which released the spate, and the 1893 Columbus issue of the United States which turned the spate into a flood. In view of the English authorities' attitude towards commemorative stamps, no Englishman's portrait has ever appeared on an England stamp. Philatelic apothecias have been left to our colonial cousins or foreign competitors.

Pride of place must be given to the beautiful set of nine stamps issued by Bulgaria in 1921 in memory of Dr. Baurchier, who was officially the Times correspondent, but actually one of the powers behind the throne.

During this year Greece marked the centenary of Lord Byron's death at Missolonghi by issuing two beautiful stamps. On the indigo 80-lepta appeared the head of the poet, whilst on the 2-drachma—a large, handsome stamp in purple and black—appeared an engraving of his landing in response to the invitation of Prince Mavrocordato.

Lord Nelson's effigy appears on a set issued by the Barbados authorities in 1906, and is a representation of his statue in their public park. The values of these stamps range from a farthing to a shilling, but you have to pay about fifteen times their face value if you wish to include them in your collection.

Newfoundland accorded Cabot a whole issue of fourteen stamps in 1897, but his portrait appears only on the 2-cents. In the 1910 tercentenary issue of the colony James I. makes his only philatelic appearance, and Bacon appears on the 6-cents, a barrier of four stamps very wisely being used to separate these old enemies; but in the Quebec tercentenary issue of 1908 General Wolfe had to share a stamp with Montcalm.

COMEDY OF VANITY.

But the most famous stamp upon which an Englishman's portrait appeared never reached the public at all. Vanity was its cause, not fame, and New Brunswick its country of origin.

In 1860 British North America changed its currency from sterling to cents, and the consequent change in the stamps was naturally in the hands of the colony's Postmaster-General, Hon. Charles Connell. He went to New York and placed the contract with the American Bank Note Company. But just before the stamps were issued it came to the knowledge of the General Council that on the brown 5-cent stamp appeared Connell's portrait instead of Queen Victoria's. The Council was furious, demanded a new stamp and lost their postmaster general.

The Council stamp is one of the comedies of philately and also one of its rarities. It was famous which had placed other portraits in our albums, but the present cash value of Connell's conceit is the greatest of them all.—G. F. M. C. in Ex.

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Hakiki, that being the nom de plume of Jahan Shah, that redoubtable warrior of the Kara Kunyulu, or "Black Sheep," dynasty of Turkomans, who ruled parts of Persia during the middle of the 15th century. Something was already known of the military exploits of that potentate; but as a poet he has been credited with only some dozen lines in Dawlatshah's lives of Persian Poets. A careful study of the two dirans may throw light on the political events of those stormy days in Persia and Turkey, concerning which too little is known at present, and, furthermore, reveal some feature that will relieve the dark picture of Jahan Shah's character drawn by Professor Browne in his "Persian Literature under Tartar Domination." This is an almost contemporary copy, written in an exquisite naskhi hand.

CONRAD AS SEAMAN.

Mr. Galworthy's Story of a Trip.

It was in March, 1893 (says Mr. Galworthy in Scribner) that I first met Conrad on board the English sailing ship Torrens in Adolphe Harbour. He was superintending the stowage of cargo. Very dark he looked in the burning sunlight—tanned, with a peaked brown beard, almost black hair, and dark brown eyes, over which the lids were deeply folded. He was thin, not tall, his arms very long, his shoulders broad, his head set back or forward. He spoke to me with a strong foreign accent. He seemed to me strange on an English ship. For fifty-six days I sailed in his company.

The chief mate bears the main burden of a sailing ship. All the first night he was fighting a fire in the hold. None of us seventeen passengers knew of it till long after. It was he who had most truck with the tail of that hurricane off the Leeward, and later with another storm. He was a good seaman, watchful of the weather; quick in handling the ship; considerate with the apprentices—two had a long, unhappy Belgian youth among them, who took unhandily to the sea and dreaded going aloft; Conrad compassionately spared him all he could. With the crew he was popular; they were individuals to him, not a mere gang, and long after he would talk of this or that among them; especially of old Andy the sail-maker. "I like that old fellow, you know." With the young second mate, a cheerful, capable young seaman, very English, he was friendly; and respect ful, if faintly ironic, with his white-korred, stout old English captain.

I was supposed to be studying navigation for the Admiralty Bar, and every day would work out the ship's position with the captain. On one side of the saloon table we would sit and check our observations on this important matter with those of Conrad, who would sit on the other side of the table and look at us a little quizzically. For Conrad had commanded ships, and his subordinate position on the Torrens was only due to the fact that he was then still convalescent from the Congo experience which had nearly killed him. Many evening watches in fine weather we spent on the poop. Ever the great teller of a tale, he had already nearly twenty years of tales to tell. Tales of ships and storms, of Polish revolution, of his youthful Carlist gun-running adventure of the Malay seas, and Congo; and of men and men, all to a listener who had the inextinguishability of a twenty-five-year-old.

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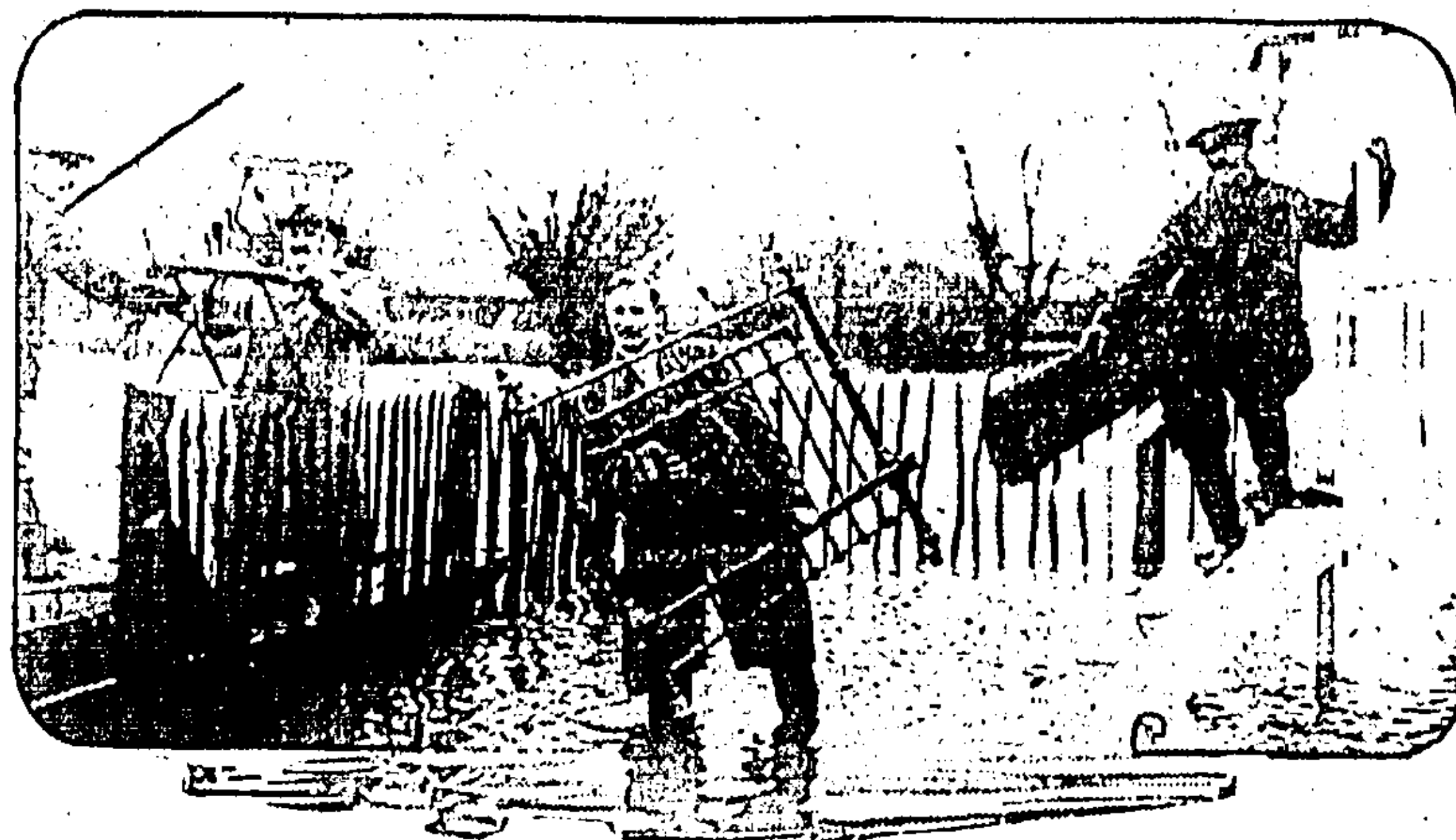
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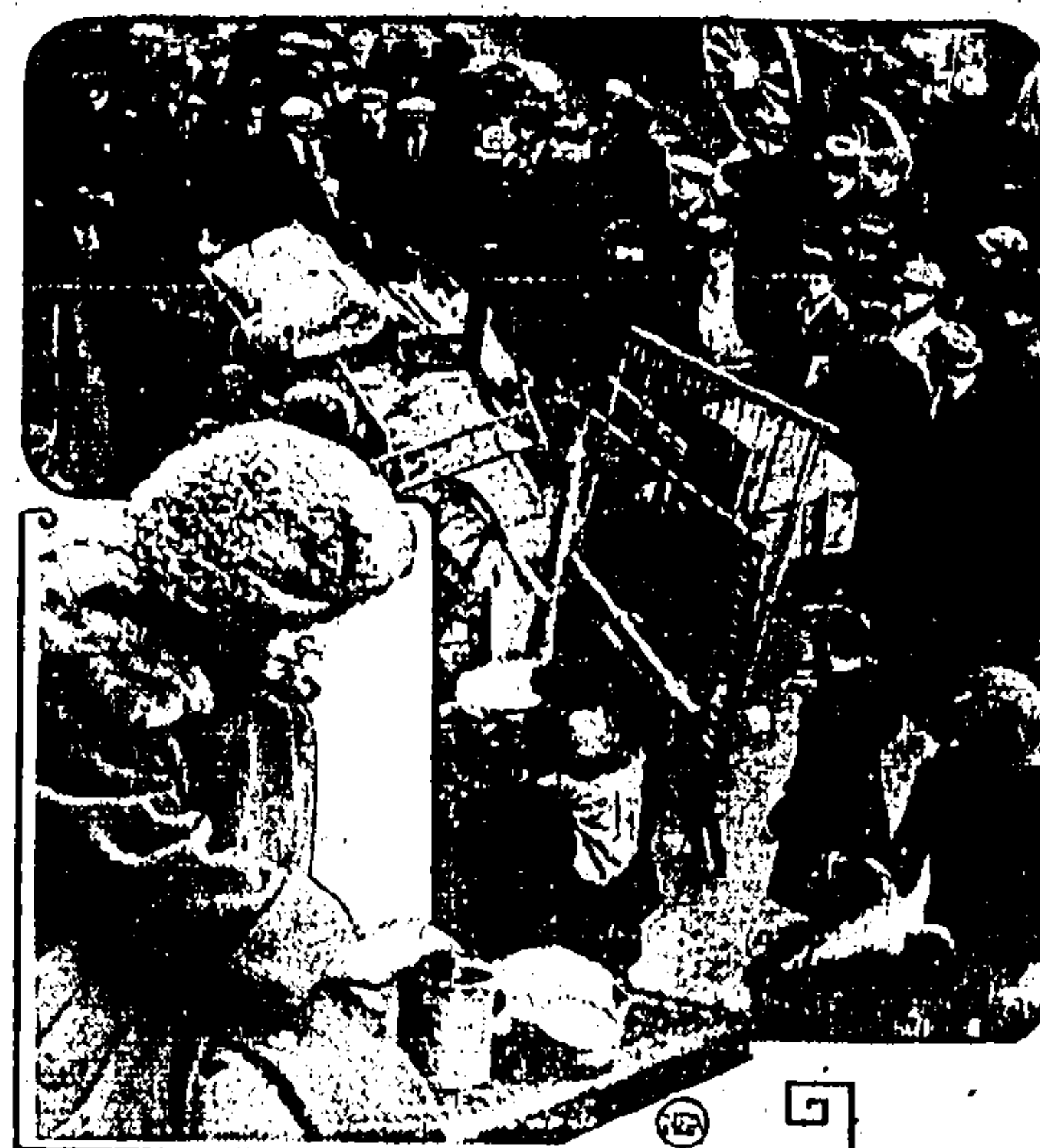
CURRENT PICTORIAL NEWS.



Leave it to the ladies fair to introduce the latest innovations. Here we have Miss Kay Clark of New York City, playing a round of golf at Poland Springs, Me., on her skis. The fad has caught on at Poland Springs, Me., and Lake Placid, New York, where there is always plenty of snow for ski-golf. Despite the rather awkward stance made necessary because of the use of skis, some surprisingly low scores have been made. The caddy, Francis Regan, is also similarly equipped and follows Miss Clark with ease.



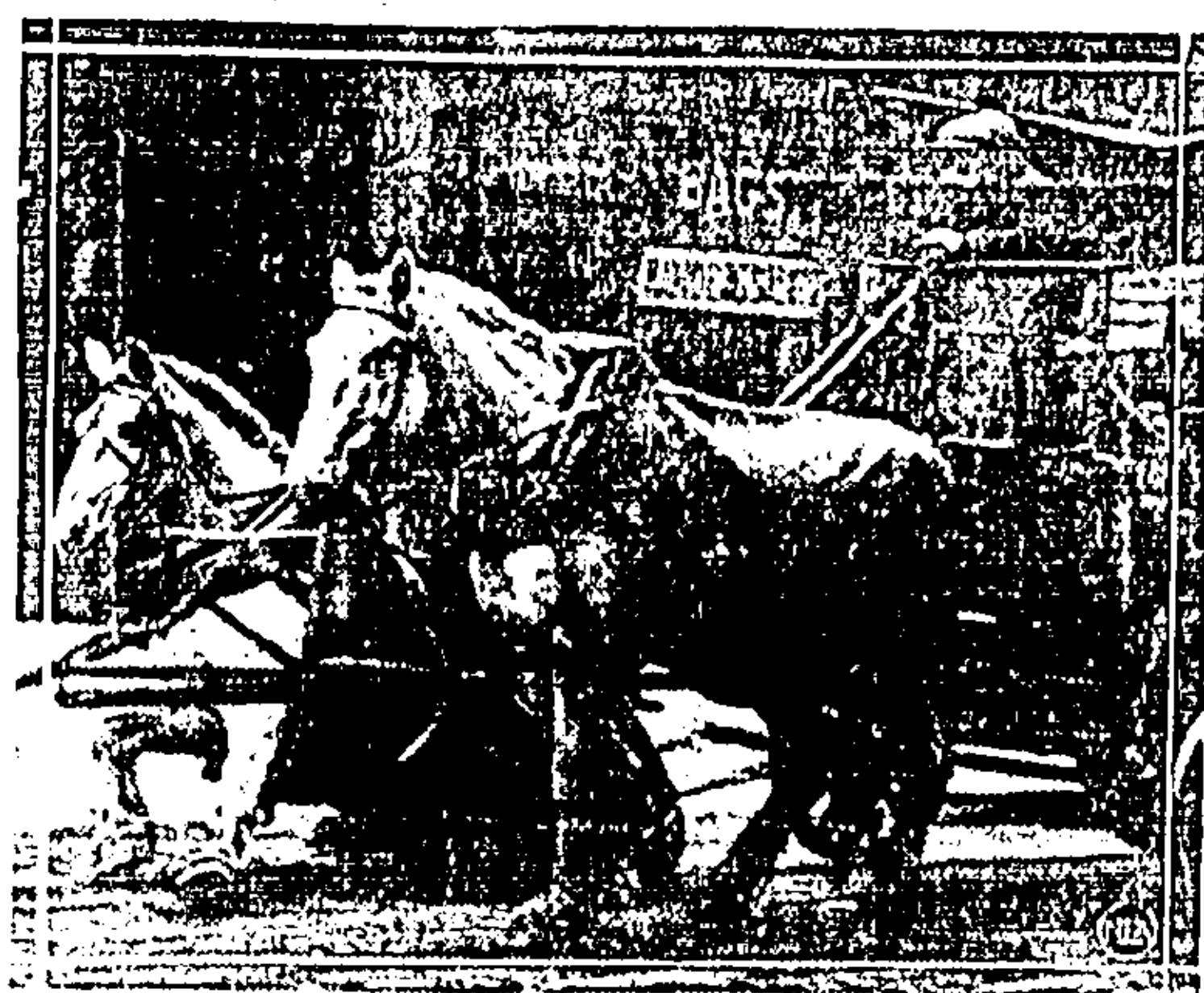
Bungalow dwellers at Egham were compelled to leave their homes in the recent flooding of the Thames valley in England. Many of them took their furniture with them, as shown in the photo.



Evicted—a common scene in New York—with all its hardships, its story of failure. Here is the furniture of a family, just as it was placed on the sidewalk, guarded by a little child. She is drinking some warm coffee and eating a few crackers provided by kindly neighbours. Two more children are away at school. Father and mother are out seeking some place to put their few belongings—to shelter them and their brood from the near-zero weather that holds New York in its icy grip.



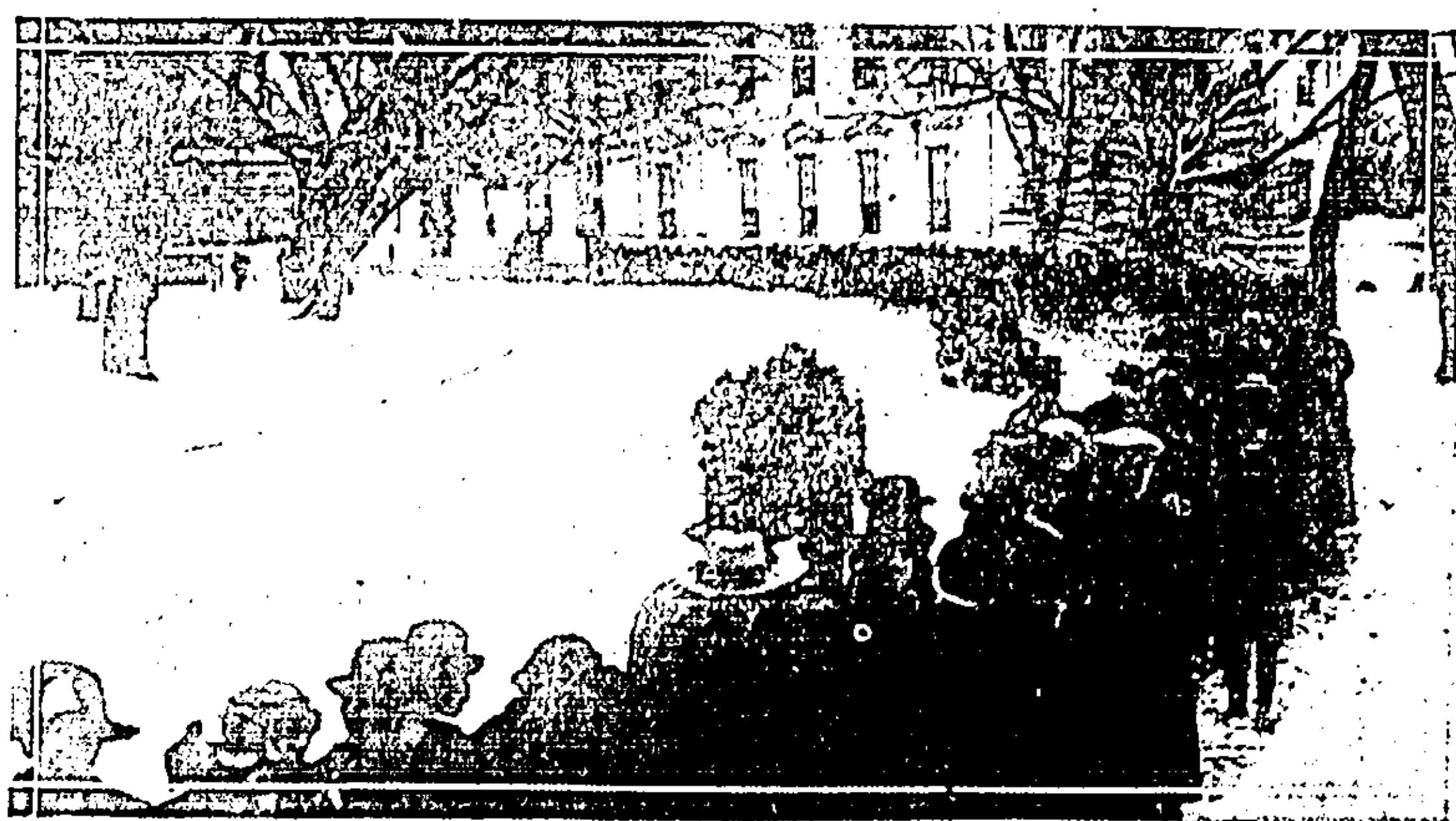
A diver from the salvage ship Blackely, descending in a new high pressure, armoured diving suit, by means of which Captain Benjamin Leavitt of the Blackely has salvaged the \$600,000 cargo of the vessel Cape Horn off the coast of Chile, at the record breaking depth of 318 feet. In order to see at a depth where it is as dark as night, a special pressure-resisting deep-sea light (in the circle) was used. The lamp is a recent invention of the Westinghouse Co. With these two new inventions, the \$4,000,000 in gold of the Lusitania, lying at a depth of 252 feet, should be easy of recovery.



Following a blizzard which tied up traffic in New York came a storm of sleet which rendered the streets of the big town almost impassable. Motorcars slowed from side to side, while horses found it next to impossible to remain on their feet. This photo shows one of the many cases.



As his last official act before retiring to private life, Maj. Gen. R. L. Bullard decorated Private Roger J. Quinn, stationed at Governor's Island, New York, with the bronze medal of the A. S. P. C. A. for his heroic efforts in saving the lives of 21 horses in a recent fire at the island which destroyed 38 animals. Photo shows General Bullard congratulating Private Quinn.



This shows the waiting line in front of the White House, Washington, at the public reception on New Year's Day.



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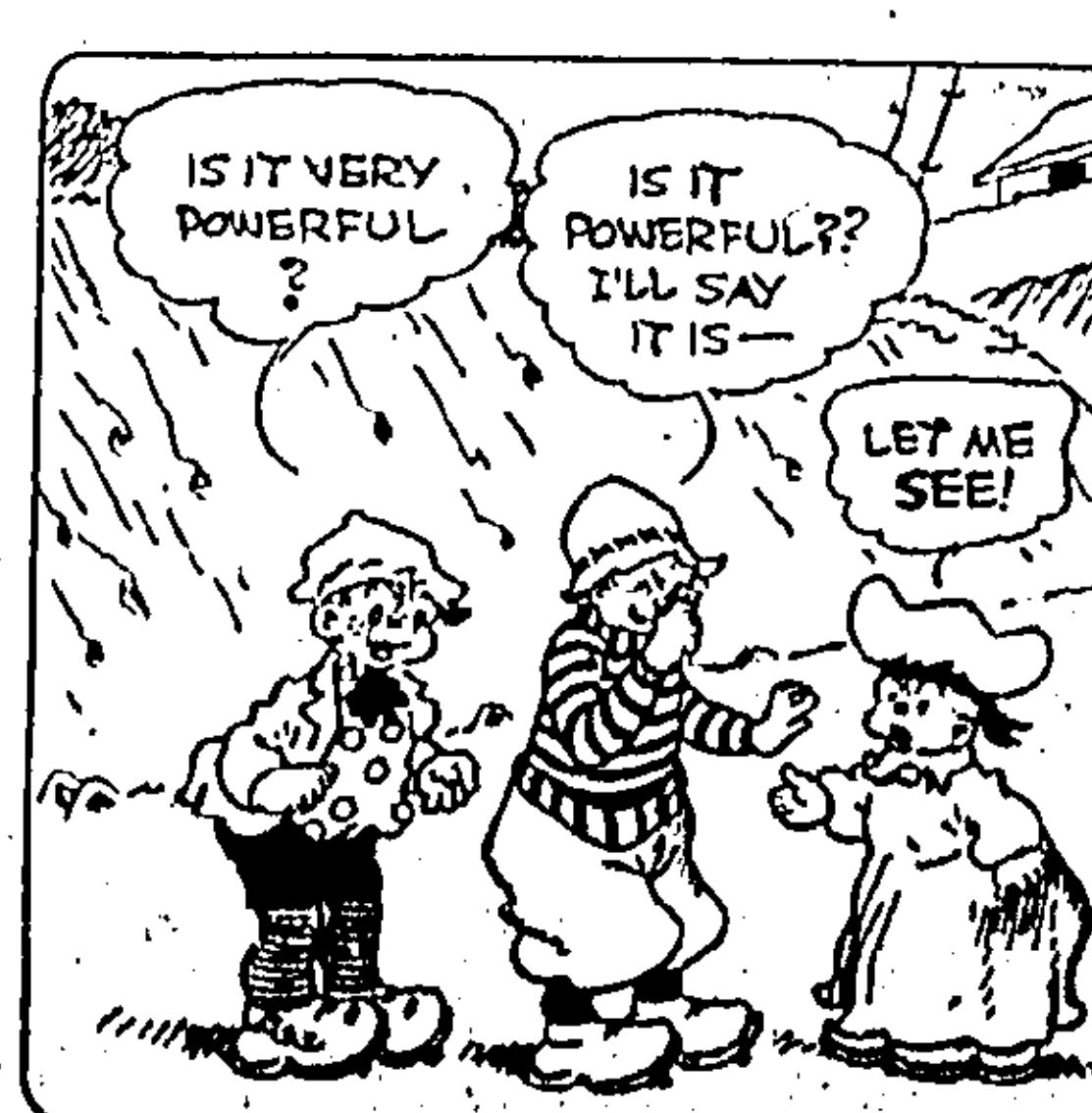
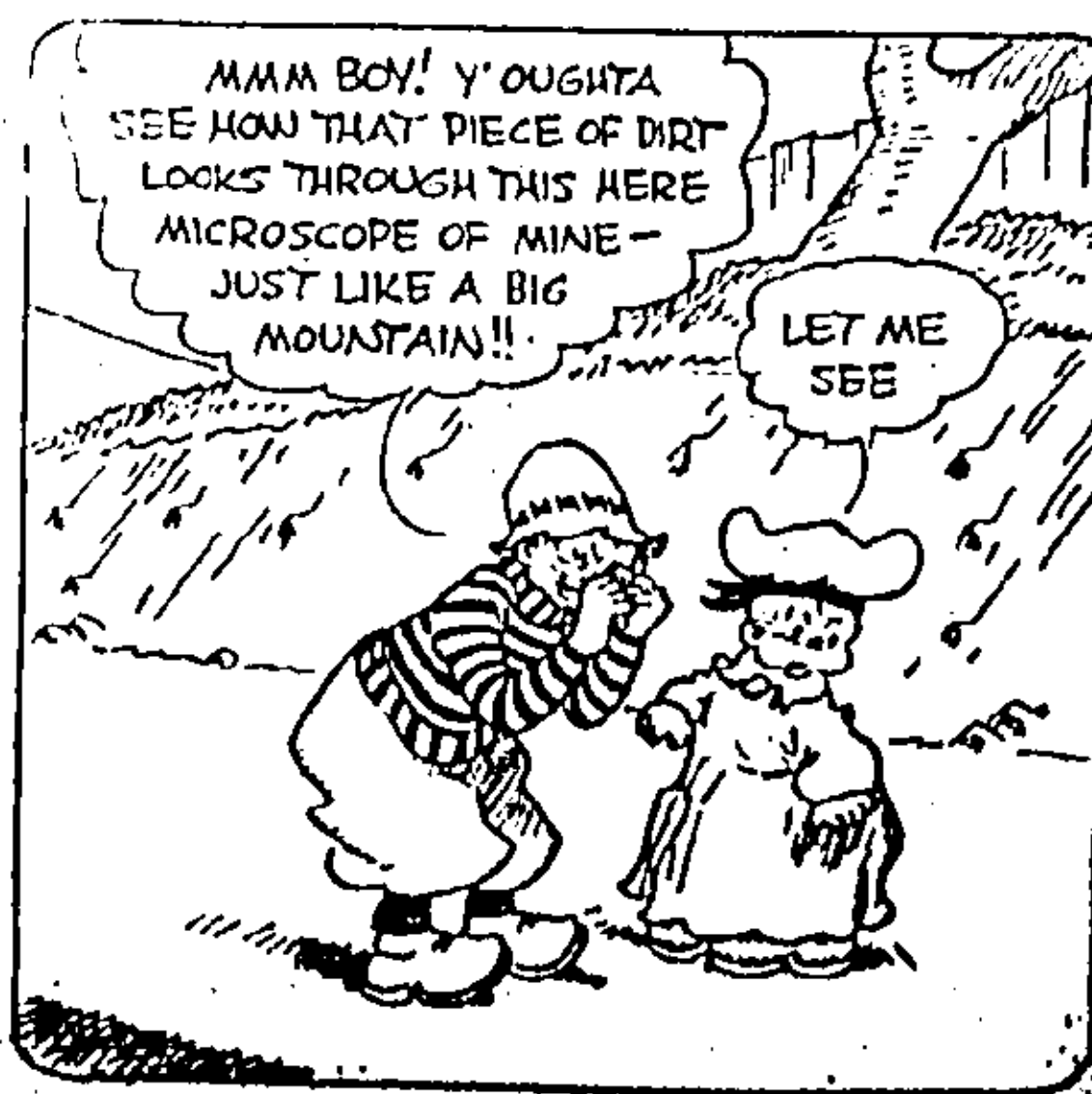


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TYPHOID FEVER.

GOVERNMENT ASKED TO INVESTIGATE.

The continued prevalence of typhoid fever in the Colony and the importance of undertaking an official investigation into the source of origin, were discussed at some length at the meeting of the Sanitary Board held in the Post Office building yesterday afternoon.

The subject was introduced by Dr. W. V. M. Koch, who, according to notice given, moved the following resolution:

"In view of the steady persistence of Typhoid Fever in the Colony, and of the fact that no investigation of the source of origin of the infection has thus far been undertaken, this Board respectfully urges the Government to solicit the assistance of the Public Health experts attached to the Naval and Military services to undertake such investigation, or alternatively to apply to the Rockefeller Institute for the service of an expert to undertake such investigation."

Dr. Koch made it clear at the outset of his speech that he was not bringing the resolution forward in any antagonistic spirit to his medical colleagues in that department. He recognised that owing to stress of work they were unable to undertake such an investigation, and he ventured to think that he had their approval of his resolution. They had been in the Colony a steady and persistent prevalence of typhoid fever, which became more noticeable from time to time as it claimed prominent victims. Typhoid fever had been prevalent for some years, and an endeavour had been made to give a certain amount of assurance to the public by statistics showing that its prevalence was less than in some other years. Statistics were comforting, and figures were perhaps as fascinating as a cross-word puzzle, but in the end they were just where they were. Having given this statistical treat, the authorities folded their hands complacently and looked with extreme satisfaction on the situation. But in these days of advance in sanitation, they wanted something more.

Prevention Needed.

When he raised this question last year they were informed that investigations were being carried out, and apart from what he called, with all due deference, a wild jump at a certain conclusion without the slightest evidence in support, they had heard nothing more. There had been no further report, no further investigation. All they had had were statistics. That was scarcely what they ought to be treated to in a Colony like this—a small Colony with an easily moved and docile population and which should be clear of all preventable disease. Typhoid was an eminently preventable disease. They had seen how it had been cleared in many cases elsewhere, and they had also read of the vigorous measures taken in regard to other preventable diseases. For instance, they had heard of how malaria was swept away from the Panama Canal zone and yellow fever from Cuba. He remembered the time when yellow fever was prevalent in the Panama Canal zone, when workmen were

dying in their tens and hundreds daily that trenches could scarcely be dug rapidly enough in which to place their bodies. He was living next door to where this happened, and consequently had a good recollection of it and knew what he was talking about. Then they had seen how, at the present time a vigorous endeavour was being made in the Straits Settlements to deal with malaria.

He was afraid that here the authorities might be called supine and seem impervious to criticism. The Government refused to budge. On one occasion when he advocated measures for stamping out malaria, the answer he received from the then Director of Public Works was that the measures would have to be applied to China as well as Hongkong, and that the Government would have to look after the sanitation of China. He did not know whether that represented the official view, but it showed the state of mind which no argument could touch. They should look at the economic value, that would result if these preventable diseases were wiped out. There were hospitals full of patients and crowds of people incapacitated from their work for longer or shorter periods. All this translated into money showed the thousands and thousands of dollars which might be saved. A bold, wise and far-sighted policy of any Government should be to deal with these diseases in the direction of prevention. It was not enough to have a big staff of medical men to deal with them after they had occurred, nor a sufficient number of hospitals to house the victims. Much more money would be saved if an effort were made—even if it was an expensive effort to cope with the prevention of these diseases.

"God Save the People."

It was on that account that he ventured to bring forward the resolution asking the Board to recommend to the Government that it should take some steps in order to investigate—not only typhoid but other preventable diseases as well. They knew how malaria was caused, and there was no need to go very deeply into that, but the present prevalence of typhoid certainly required investigation. Members would notice, Dr. Koch proceeded, that he asked the Board to recommend that the Government should invite outside assistance for this investigation. In doing that, he did not in any way mean to cast a slur upon the medical officers of that department. They were, he knew, overwhelmed with work, and besides the Sanitary department was not a Public Health department. It had no laboratory, no working facilities and no staff to deal with such an investigation. Of course, if the Government wished—and he put this forward as another alternative—to have its own staff to do the work, so well and good. If not, then he thought the time had arrived when the Government should call upon the public health experts attached to the naval and military services to give assistance, or ask the Rockefeller Institute to send out one or two investigators to devote all their time for a certain number of months to investigating the disease. It would afford satisfaction to the people of the Colony if some effort were made. It was no good to juggle with statistics that was no use. They wanted a proper in-

vestigation undertaken by competent people in order to trace the source of origin.

They did not know when this steady prevalence might result in a tremendous explosion—in a big epidemic—and when it did reach severe epidemic form, well "God save the people here." He did not wish to be an alarmist, but forewarned was forearmed and the least they could do was, whenever they had preventable diseases, to try and prevent them. In conclusion, Dr. Koch said if the Government wished to take the matter into their own hands and start an investigation with their own officers, he would be quite satisfied.

Dr. McGown seconded the resolution.

Vague Suggestions.

The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax said the general and vague nature of the suggestions made by the proposer of the resolution made him hesitate as to how he should cast his vote. He asked for a little more light. The staff, or the Government, according to Dr. Koch, had been supine. Was there anything that they could have done that they had not done? If there was, perhaps that would meet the case. If there was not, what did this investigation by experts from outside mean? It would be well for them to know exactly what they were suggesting before they sent the resolution to the Government. Could Dr. Koch define the lines on which the investigation should be made. Was it a matter of water milk or food, or was it possible they were laying themselves open to even going so far as a house to house examination for carriers. If so, they ought to know before they sent the resolution to the Government. He was sure the Government would not spare expense if they could be convinced that any particular line of investigation was proved to be required or would have a reasonable prospect of removing the danger. He thought they ought to be a good deal more definite. It seemed to him that the wording of the resolution, supported as it was by his own speech, should be altered to read that the Government should take such steps as may be necessary to have an investigation made. They would then have to make some general recommendations. While he agreed with the general idea, he could not see his way to support the resolution.

The Chairman: Do you wish to propose an amendment?

Hon. Mr. Hallifax: No. I have explained the reason I am not in a position to vote for the resolution as it stands. I think it is open to amendment. It would be much more satisfactory if it was amended.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster expressed the opinion that some investigation ought to be undertaken as to the source of origin of the cases that had already occurred, in order to find out whether the disease could be traced to milk, water carriers or some other definite plague spot which could be dealt with when discovered. He thought the idea underlying Dr. Koch's motion did not really go very much further than that. There did not seem to have been any definite effort made to trace the origin of the disease, or if there had been, they had not seen the results of it. The motion seemed to suggest that if those in charge of the health of the Colony generally were overloaded with work, then outside assistance should be sought, because the need for such investigation was urgent. He did not think the proposer of the resolution was going to suggest a house to house investigation for carriers, but rather that they should try to trace the source of origin of the cases that had already occurred.

A Good Analogy.

The Chairman said he was sure the Board had listened with great interest to Dr. Koch's lucid exposition of his case. He (the Chairman) would like to say, incidentally, regarding some of Mr. Alabaster's remarks, what had been said very many times before in that Board—that the very fullest investigation was made into every single case of typhoid, and he thought Dr. Koch would agree with him that the personnel of the proposed investigators was perhaps of secondary importance. He thought that what was at the back of his mind was perhaps the analogy of plague. Dr. Koch did not mention it, but that would certainly be a very good analogy. There, certain steps were advocated by experts, those steps had been adopted as routine measures by the

Sanitary Department, and they had secured extraordinarily good results up to the present. It seemed to him that the Board was fully entitled to ask the Government to say whether it was possible or not to take steps in the case of typhoid, analogous to the steps which had been taken in the case of plague. He was sure that from that point of view the Government would give the question the very fullest consideration and that they would have a full reply on the subject. He did not think that that was the time when he should speak for or against. A motion of that sort must obviously go through as an Unofficial motion if it did go through, and they would no doubt have the report of the Government and its medical experts in due course.

Mr. S. W. Tso did not agree with the wording of the resolution. The resolution, as it stood, seemed to imply that the Government officials had never taken any trouble in the matter. If Dr. Koch deleted the words that no investigation of the source of origin of the infection had been made, he should be pleased to support the resolution.

The Chairman: There again, I do not know whether that is proposed as an amendment to the motion. I do not know whether Dr. Koch wishes to withdraw those words?

Quibbling.

Dr. Koch thought that the various speakers were simply straining at a gnat. Having regard to the importance of the question, he could not understand them quibbling about a few words. It did not make much difference. He repeated that so far as he knew there had been no investigation in the proper sense of the word. If there had been an investigation they would have had reports from time to time. An investigation did not take one day or one week, but months. It was all very well to say "Are your closets clean, where do you get your vegetables and where do you wash your face?" That was not enough. He wanted a much wider investigation. It did not matter to him whether the Government conducted the investigation with their own officers or invited outside help. He did not see why the Government should be squeamish about invoking outside aid, because they had already received assistance from Navy and Army experts and had had outsiders to make investigations into cerebrospinal fever and plague. If the members were with him, then they should vote for the resolution, but he asked them not to quibble and refuse to vote.

Mr. Alabaster: Dr. Koch, I do not quibble about words. I want, if possible, to arrive at a formula which will enable the motion to be carried. I beg to propose the following amendment: "In view of the steady persistence of typhoid fever in the Colony, this Board respectfully urges the Government to undertake or arrange for a thorough investigation of the whole subject."

Mr. Tso seconded.

Dr. Koch: That is a direct slap in the face to the officials.

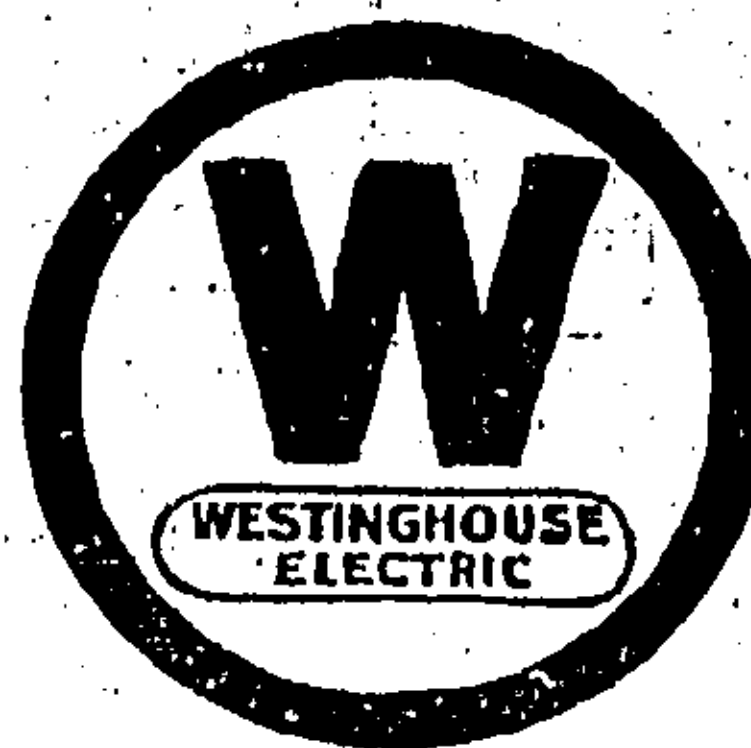
On the amendment being put to the meeting it was carried by five votes to two, the proposer and seconder of the motion voting against.

There was no other business of public interest. The members present at the meeting were: Mr. N. L. Smith (Chairman), Hon. Mr. H. T. Greasy (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Dr. McGown, Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. W. W. Pearce (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. Severn (Assistant Medical Officer of Health), Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipton (Secretary) and Mr. D. Davies (Assistant Secretary).

AUSTRALIAN SEAMEN.

An unrecorded row on a big inter-state liner was told to the *Brisbane Courier* by a shipping man as illustrative of what is possible under conditions of the last few years. The crew of this vessel took exception to the boat. They said he would have to leave. The company refused and stood firm. For six months one of the finest passenger ships on the coast was idle. The solution came about in November of that year. The boat was cleared the way himself. He wanted to see the Cup and left the ship. A new crew and a new boat were signed on, and the trouble was over.

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The Thirty Sixth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on Tuesday, March 3, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account and Report of the Directors for the year ending December 31, 1924, and declaring a dividend. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, February 18, 1925, until Tuesday, March 3, 1925, both days inclusive.

By order of
the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 11, 1925.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

I, Tsui Yan Shan, Managing Director of the Ying Wah Lighter & Transportation Co., Ltd., hereby give notice that in the consequence of the present name being unsuitable, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Cargo Lighter "Ying Tung" of gross tonnage 277.38 tons, heretofore owned by me for the permission to change her name to "Yung Cheung" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by the Ying Wah Lighter & Transportation Co., Ltd.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement. Dated at Hongkong this 23rd day of February 1925.

(Signed) TSUI YAN SHAN,
Managing Director.
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C. B. SHANK,
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Hongkong, 22nd Dec., 1924.

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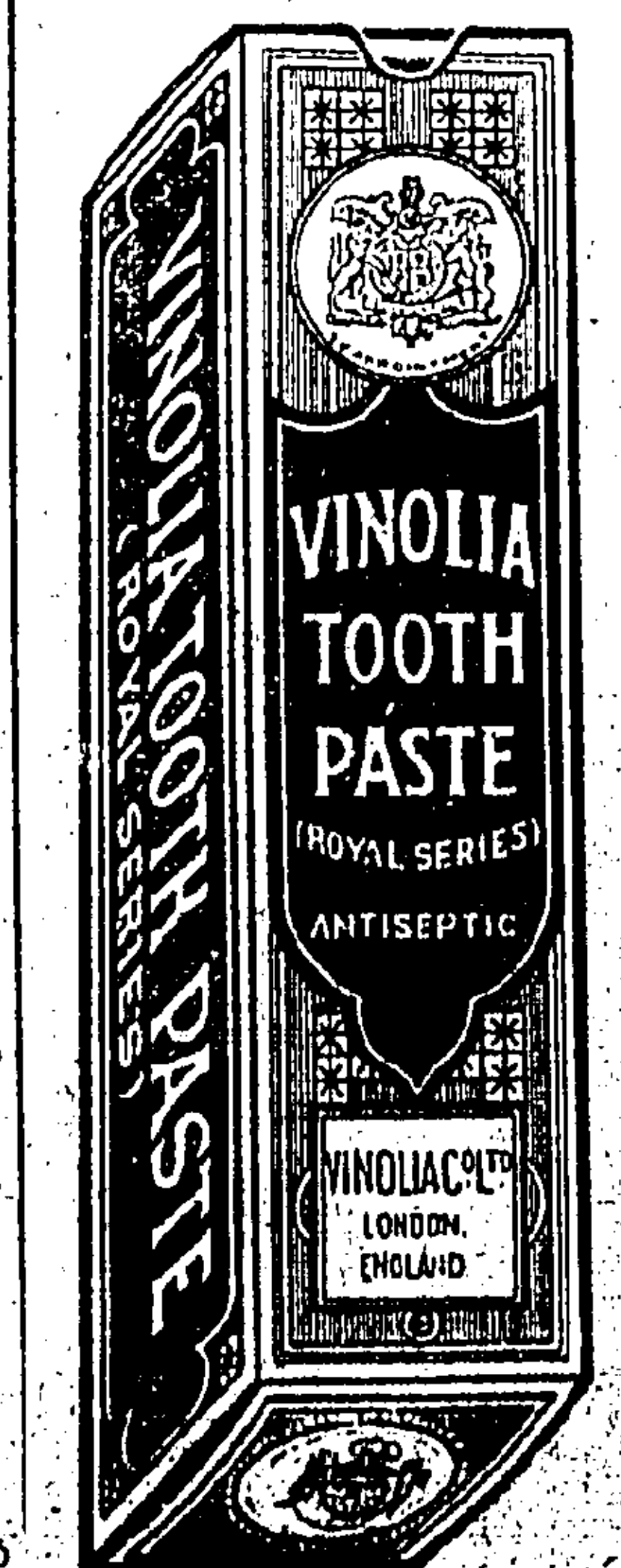
Copies of the Prospectus and forms of Application can be obtained from the Company's Bankers, The P. and O. Banking Corporation Ltd. and from the Registered Office of the Company in China Building (7th floor), Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

This Notice is not to be regarded as an invitation to the public to subscribe for shares and applications will only be received on the footing of the full prospectus and on the form issued therewith. Dated Hongkong, 23rd February 1925.

A. BENEMERITO,
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Hongkong, February 21, 1925.

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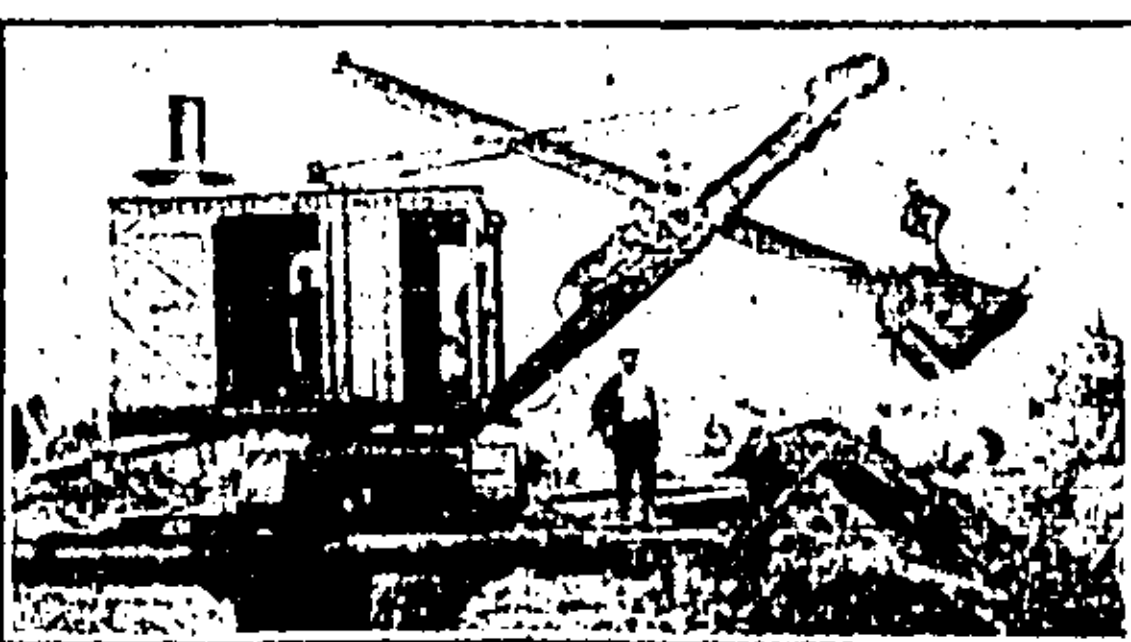
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HONGKONG, 25th Feb., 1925.

IN THE BALANCE.

The rents question is to come up for mention at the Legislative Council meeting to-morrow, with a motion by the Colonial Secretary which is designed to set the ball rolling. As we announced yesterday, there has been nothing in the nature of a definite decision, either way, on the much-discussed topic of whether to continue restriction or not, and the official resolution is merely intended to bring the matter before the Council for members to take cognizance of it; and it is an almost foregone conclusion that very little will be done apart from the appointment of a committee to go into the subject fully, and, we presume, take the evidence of all parties to the controversy, to be embodied in a report to the Government. Actually, such a body would amount to a rents commission, and presumably the authorities will be prepared to abide by its recommendations. If our forecast be the correct one, the public can congratulate itself on this procedure of the Government, which will thus give a fair hearing to tenant and landlord alike, neither coddling the former overmuch nor lending too ready an ear to the claims of vested interests. With the early appointment of such a committee, the vexed question of rent control should be finally decided by the date at which the present restrictive Ordinance would automatically cease to operate.

While it is not possible at this stage to predict what the ultimate decision is likely to be, we can safely state that if the tenants have a clear case to put forward for continued protection they will get it. There is no doubt that rent control in its present form is unfair to property-owners in some instances, and such anomalies should be eliminated, but we maintain emphatically that the majority of tenants are quite justified in their fear that entire abolition of protective legislation will result in very grave hardship to different classes, and might even throw the whole economic life of the Colony out of gear. At the same time, all but the most biased must admit that rent restriction cannot go on for ever, and that a gradual rise in rates in a growing city is inevitable. This truth

was realised at Home, when progressive increases of rent were sanctioned. Some such system of de-control would probably be found to work here without undue difficulty, and strict fairness should be obtainable through a representative rent board. Local de-control, however, will have to be gradual, as the effects of a sudden withdrawal of protection might easily prove disastrous. Successive small allowances to property-owners (except in the cases where rents are already excessively high) would not only remove any suggestion of partiality but would also obviate the apprehensive uncertainty which lack of definite policy has produced.

A Splendid Work.

Another year of successful endeavour in relieving the lot of those who find themselves up against the stern realities of life is reflected in the annual report of the Hongkong Benevolent Society, whose meeting was held yesterday. The activities of this organisation are known to few outside the immediate officials and those who are helped by the Society, but the facts revealed in the annual report, together with the statements made yesterday by Sir Henry Pollock, are sufficient to show that a noteworthy work of mercy is being discharged by this body. Much of what is done obviously remains in large measure a secret, but the utmost confidence can be placed in those ladies who give up time and leisure in their desire to help their less fortunate fellow-beings. All cases which come before the Society are closely scrutinised, and those of the public who support this organisation can rest content that good use is made of their contributions. It is a sorry sight to see distressed Britishers and other white people in this Colony, and we are glad that the number is not large, but during the course of a year a good many such folk find themselves stranded here with little prospect of being able to get employment on their own initiative. It is good, therefore, that such a body as the Benevolent Society should be able to give heed to cases of this kind, as well as to relieve other pressing necessities of those in distress. We commend the work of the Society to all who have a kindling feeling for the unfortunate and the helpless.

"The Cup."

The English Football Cup Competition is now in a most interesting stage, the draw for the fourth round having been made. There are still some fine cup-fighting teams left in, whilst the South is quite well represented. Neither Southampton nor Liverpool, who have to meet, have won the trophy, although both have got through to the final. In the next group are Cardiff, Hull and Leicester, the first-named having to meet the winners of the other two. None of the three has yet appeared in the final. Sheffield United can look back on a good record, having won the cup in 1899, 1902 and 1915, but they are up against veterans in either the Villa or West Bromwich, both of whom have splendid records, the latter's first capture of the trophy being as far back as 1886. Blackburn Rovers or the Spurs have to meet the winners of the West Ham v. Blackpool contest. Of these four teams, Blackburn has the finest Cup record, winning the competition in four successive years from 1893 and again winning in 1890 and 1891. As to whether they will "come back" after this long lapse of years is doubtful, but we look to this particular group of games as likely to furnish most exciting contests.

SHARE MARKET.

SHANGHAI QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Ellis and Co. have kindly supplied us with the following cable quotations of Shanghai stocks from their Shanghai office:—
Langkats (comb.)—Tls. 20, buyers.
Ewos.—Tls. 12, buyers.
Shanghai Docks.—Tls. 110 1/4, ex div., buyers.
Orientals.—Tls. 3, buyers.
Shanghai Cotton.—Tls. 60, buyers.

DAY BY DAY.

FROM ROUGHEST OUTSIDES
SERENE AND GENTLE INFLUENCES
OFTEN PROCEED.—
Dickens.

Captain C. T. Williams, O.B.E., of the East Surreys, has retired with the rank of Major.

The health return for yesterday shows two cases of diphtheria (one Chinese and one Eurasian).

General Crozier, while riding a pony at Peking, fell, breaking his leg, says a *Daily Bulletin* telegram.

Lieut. G. P. G. Cortlandt-Anderson, 24th Bombay Grenadiers, has qualified in Preliminary Urdu.

At the Children's Hour at the Helena May Institute on Friday, February 27th, Mrs. Gompertz will tell "Fairy Stories" at 5 p.m.—*Advt.*

Amongst the passengers who arrived by the Empress of Asia to-day were Brigadier General MacNaghten, C.M.G., and Mr. H. J. Brett.

A tally clerk was injured as the result of a fall into the hold of the steamer Huichow yesterday. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Mr. O. W. Daroh, assistant manager of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. in Hongkong, is shortly leaving to take charge of the Company's office in Melbourne.

Messrs. A. B. Moulder and Co. forward us a calendar advertising Lipton's tea, and bearing a striking coloured picture of the Procession of the Sacred Tooth at Kandy.

Mr. W. J. Stokes, local branch Secretary of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, left for Home on leave to-day, aboard the Kamo Maru, being accompanied by his wife.

A large gathering of officials and others were at the station yesterday, saying a Peking message to the *Daily Bulletin*, to say goodbye to Sir J. W. R. Macleay and Lady Macleay.

Footpads attacked a Japanese engineer named Shighara on the Praya East last night, near the No. 2 Police Station, and got away with a sum of \$200 and a gold watch and chain.

Dr. Kroig's bulletin says that Sun Yat-sen's condition has shown no difference since yesterday according to a *Daily Bulletin* telegram, but the general weakness is increasing. His pulse is 116, temperature 99.1 and respiration 26.

The Hongkong A. D. C. gave a dress rehearsal of "Frensh Leave" last night, much to the delight of those present. The farce was very cleverly interpreted, and there should be large and appreciative audiences at the Theatre Royal during the season, which commences to-night.

Prince Kuno, who left the Colony yesterday on the Kashima-maru on his return to Japan after spending six months in Europe, is a younger brother of the Japanese Crown Princess Nagako. He is only 22 years of age. The Prince is accompanied by his secretary, Mr. Takeda.

At the Central Magistracy, this afternoon, an enquiry is being held into the circumstances attending the death of a Wei Hai Wei policeman from an overdose of opium. The man was found in an unconscious condition in the Central Police Station and died after admission to the Government Civil Hospital.

We made a slip in our reference to the Paracels yesterday, when we spoke of the suggested meteorological station there. The reference should have been to Pratas, where we understand something is at last to be done. But the Paracels might also offer a site for a station of this nature, or at least a lighthouse, which is badly needed.

BOMBAY RENT LAW.

PROTECTION FOR TENANTS.

In view of the forthcoming discussion of rent restriction in this Colony, the following leading article from the *Kaiser-i-Hind* (Bombay), which is forwarded us by a reader, is particularly interesting:—

"In the last sessions of the Bombay Legislative Council an assurance was given by the General Member on behalf of Government that he would introduce a new Rent Act Bill at the next sessions that would satisfy both landlords and tenants. The text of the new Bill which has now been published for general information shows that so far as the middle-class of tenants is concerned it does not at all fulfil the assurance that was given. After inquiry into the prevailing housing conditions in this city, Government have thought it necessary to extend the Rent Act for a further period of three years. For this small mercy much thanks; but even this concession to insistent public demands is deprived of its beneficial effect by a total lack of appreciation of the difficulties of middle-class tenants in Bombay. It is true that the poorer class of tenants paying less than Rs. 50 per month, have been exempted from any further increase, thus saving a large part of the tenant population from hardship at least for a period of three years to come. But the middle-class tenant, paying from Rs. 50 to 85 per month and more, is badly hit; for the protection afforded to him is quite inadequate in proportion to his income and his paying capacity.

We cannot understand why the limit for the middle-class is fixed only at Rs. 85. Thousands of persons with middling incomes have now-a-days to pay more than Rs. 85 for a couple of rooms in any decent locality. Rs. 85 is certainly not the limit for a middle-class tenement in these days, and there seems no reason why tenants paying more than Rs. 85 should lose even the slight protection afforded by the Act. The farmers of the Bill appear to have taken it for granted that all persons paying more than Rs. 85 must be capable of paying from 50 to 100 per cent. more within the next three years. Such a supposition reveals either monstrous ignorance of the true economic condition of middle-class residents or callous indifference to their fate. We hope that when this Bill is brought before the Council, it will be so amended that adequate protection will be given to middle-class tenants, that is, those paying from Rs. 50 to Rs. 200 per month, and that in no case will the increased percentage be allowed to landlords higher than 30 per cent. over the present schedule.

BUSINESS PREMISES.

So far as business premises are concerned, they are totally excluded from the provisions of the new bill. Thousands of merchants and petty shopkeepers who hoped that the new Bill would free them somewhat from difficulty will be disappointed at this total disregard of their condition. That the pathetic complaints made by them of the greed of landlords and the persecution to which they are deliberately subjected are not groundless is fully apparent from the facts and figures brought to light by the Joint Honorary Secretaries of the Bombay Rent Act Committee. Instances are given of fabulous rents being demanded from businessmen by landlords. These figures clearly reveal the absolute need for the protection of tenants not only of dwelling houses but also of business premises.

When Mr. K. K. Nariman withdrew his private Bill in the last sessions of the Legislative Council, he did so only after an assurance was given that whatever the nature of the measure introduced by Government at the next sessions, it would rest entirely with the Council to alter or amend it in any manner deemed expedient, and that in either case the decision would rest with the majority of the Council. In view of this assurance it is now clearly the bounden duty of the popular members of our local Legislature to put up a stiff fight for the protection of middle-class tenantry when the new Bill comes before the Council for consideration.

There should now be no hesitation and dilly-dallying, as was unfortunately the case last year,

PAKHOI NOTES.

ROBBER BANDS ACTIVE.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Pakhoi, Feb. 18.

Robbers have been very active around Pakhoi glundering and kidnapping during the last few weeks. According to the reports of the village people in the vicinity, some 300 to 400 bandits have taken up their position on the coast some 12 miles to the east of Pakhoi, and are using this place as their base, making raids during the night hours in the surrounding country. A number of villages visited after raids had been made on them report the loss of many herds of cattle (some of the herds numbering over twenty heads of cattle) and every article worth carrying away, the places being thoroughly ransacked and numbers of people kidnapped. Villages within a mile of Pakhoi have been similarly raided. Streams of farmers and village people with their cattle can be seen coming into Pakhoi before darkness sets in; for protection for the night, and they return to the country at daylight next morning. The cause of this state of the surrounding country is a lack of soldiers.

Reports have just reached here of a Yunnanese Army having entered the western part of the Kwongsi Province and taken the city of Lung Chow.

Reports from Nanning on the West River state, that city is under siege by a force commanded by General Lam Tsan-ting. This is the General that was forced out of this territory some weeks ago.

BUS ACCIDENTS.

A number of bus accidents have taken place here, one in particular being serious. Soldiers commandeered a bus at midnight for Linchow city. The danger of travelling on these roads by motor vehicles after dark is known to the bus people and they asked the soldiers to wait till daylight, but the soldiers would not yield, and a bus set off on the journey with double its number of passengers. About three miles from Pakhoi it ran off the road and overturned. There were a number of broken limbs, and one of the soldiers lost an eye. The driver was not injured and he at once took to his heels, fearing that the soldiers might deal with him on the spot.

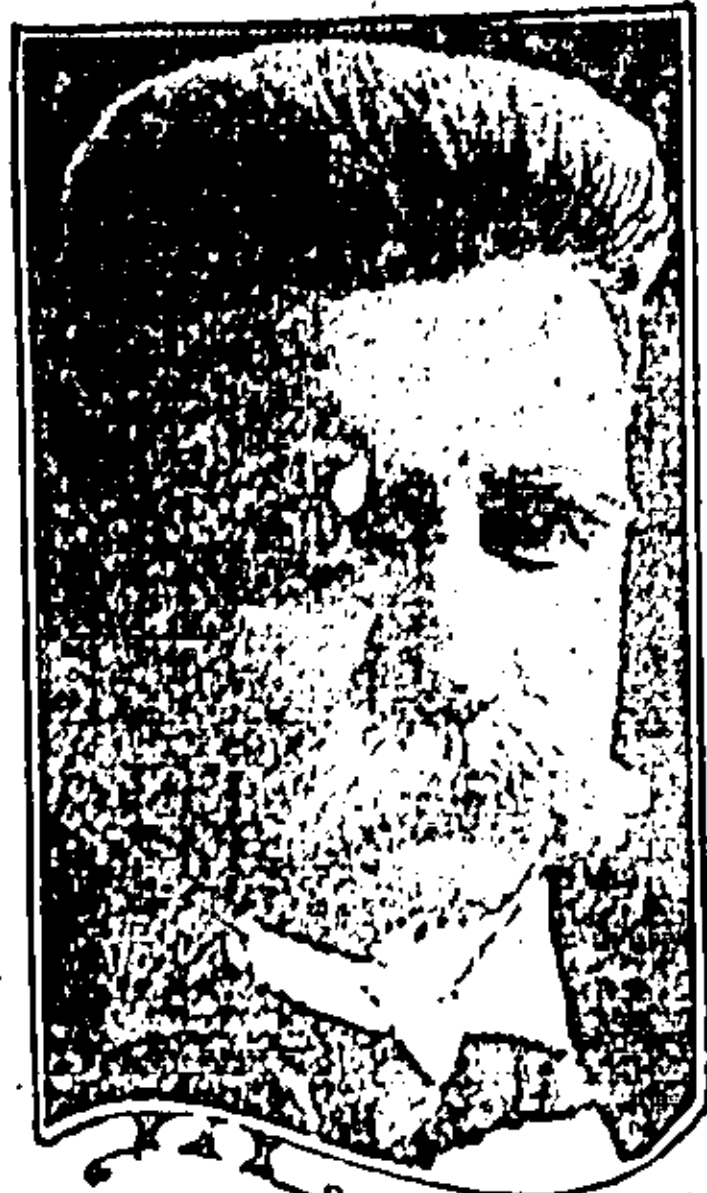
Plans are being prepared for the widening of Pakhoi streets, which will entail the pulling down of part of the shop fronts. The people are calling meetings to opposing this.

MURDERED U.S. DOCTOR.

An American naval transport ship that visited this place recently, with the American Consul from Canton, has again returned here with the Consul on board and is now anchored in the harbour. These visits are in connection with an American missionary doctor who was murdered on Hainan Island. Indemnity of \$25,000 is being claimed. It is stated that the murdered doctor had a wife and five children. The Chinese official concerned in this affair is General Tang Fung-yung, who was chief administrator of Hainan Island at the time the doctor was murdered. He recently invaded this territory and is now residing in Ham Chow city, some sixty miles to north-west of Pakhoi.

The weak-kneed attitude of the leader of the Svaraj Party in the Council last year absolutely betrayed the cause of the tenant population. It is to be hoped that the Svaraj Party will now display greater firmness in carrying out the mandate of their electors, and that every effort will be made to secure the co-operation and support of councillors from the mofussil, who are likely to be drawn away from the popular cause by official blandishment. A vigorous campaign is necessary to secure the support of the majority to such amendments and alterations as may be brought forward by such champions of the popular cause as Mr. K. F. Nariman and others. Meantime it is also the duty of local tenants' Associations and other bodies to give voice to the opinion of middle class tenants in the city regarding the new Bill and the absolute necessity of so modifying it as to secure a fair and equitable degree of protection for them.

OBITUARY.



Above is the late Dr. H. Branting, ex-Premier of Sweden, whose death is reported by cable.

SHIPPING NEWS.

LOCAL WATERFRONT ITEMS.

The gale is still blowing out at sea from the N.E. and is, according to the majority of the reports from incoming vessels, largely attended with dirty, misty and rainy weather.

The Kowloon wharves had four fair-sized vessels alongside yesterday, namely the Jardine, Matheson Co's steamer Mau Sang, the Hamburg-American liner Munsterland, the Hamburg Maru and the Kashima Maru. The latter arrived yesterday morning from Singapore and had a very rough passage to this port. She left yesterday afternoon at 4 p.m. for Shanghai. She was the largest steamer of them all, and indeed a fine vessel.

The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia arrived this morning and had a moderate gale with overcast and rainy weather down from Shanghai.

The Admiral Oriental liner President McKinley, Captain Alwin O. Lustig, arrived early this morning from Manila, and had strong N.E. monsoon with dirty and rainy weather.

The Hydrangea, Captain E. Brewer, arrived this morning from Swatow after one of the roughest round voyages she has had for a long time. On her upward trip especially, the wind was described as "howling" and she arrived six hours late only on the rather short distance from Hongkong. On her return trip the weather was described as being a little more moderate, but with continuously heavy rain and low visibility.

The Douglas steamer Haiching went alongside the Douglas s.s. Co's wharf this morning. She arrived from Foochow, and other Northern ports, and also had very rough weather.

The freighter Owego left yesterday for Saigon in command of her new master, Captain T. Earle. She has now obtained a time charter carrying rice between Saigon and this port.

The coaster Hermelin, Captain A. Davidson, arrived this morning from Bangkok and had very rough weather on the stretch from Cape Padaran and up here. Last night especially she experienced a full gale with high seas and very heavy rain-squalls.

TO-DAY'S FUNNY STORY.



Lady (at children's party): "Do you think you ought to have any more milk or pins? They may make you sick!" Young Indomitable: "Oh, no, they won't! I have just been sick!"—The Humorist, London.

FATIGUE AND LABOUR.

CONSIDERING THE HUMAN FACTOR.

Of recent years big employers at Home have paid greater attention to the human factor in industry, and the effects of fatigue on output, so that proper rest periods have been introduced, to the ultimate benefit of all parties.

These principles were dealt with by Professor L. Forster in the Cathedral Hall yesterday evening, when he delivered a most interesting public lecture. He was introduced by Rev. T. B. Powell to the audience, who, though small, were very attentive.

Professor Forster declared that the development of mechanical power had probably nearly reached its limit, and the question of increased output was becoming more closely bound up with the human factor in industry, with an added spur given by the new Labour outlook and the striving towards better working conditions.

The pioneers of this new aim—that scientific management of the workers' welfare was in the best interests of the employer—were two Americans, and they demonstrated that advantages of the rest period in a working session, as well as the increased capacity resulting from attention to individual ease of movement and bodily comfort. These efforts, however, did not meet with support from Labour itself.

The movement in Britain was directed towards obtaining the co-operation of the workers, and much good was being achieved through the National Institute of Industrial Psychology, established in London by Mr. Charles Myers.

One of the main objects was to see that the square peg was not placed in the round hole—vocational selection was a matter of primary importance. The lecturer dealt with the many branches of industry in which this law operated, and described the various efficiency tests which investigators have introduced. He passed on to the effects of alcohol in retarding output and impairing ability.

Fatigue study was another important item in the bottomer of industrial conditions. "Curves of efficiency" had been drawn to demonstrate the gradual loss of working capacity after several hours of continuous labour. Boredom, monotony, and lack of practice also operated against maximum results. Placidity of mind and harmonious conditions generally, and interest in the task had also a great deal to do in maintaining efficiency.

In concluding, Professor Forster drew a parallel with China, where the question of the human factor raised an issue for profitable exploration.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer for his very informative address.

PIANO INDUSTRY.

LOCAL FIRM'S PROGRESS.

The announcement which appears elsewhere in this issue, that the local makers of the "Morrison" piano, the Tsang Fook Company, have opened premises in Ice House Street, draws attention to an important industry in Hongkong of which but little is generally known.

The Tsang Fook Company have been making pianos in the Colony with great success for a number of years. It should be explained that the reason for this is that in the local product, it has been possible to guard against the damage which is wrought upon many imported pianos by the vagaries of Hongkong's climate. A visit to the factory in Wanchai reveals a surprisingly up-to-date establishment in which is installed every part needed for a piano.

Quite recently the firm decided to build their own player pianos, with the result that to-day an exceptionally good electrical model has been evolved, as well as the ordinary pedal style of player. When the whole process of manufacture is shown and explained, one is impressed with the thoroughness of both workmanship and design, and the Tsang Fook Company are to be congratulated upon the high standard they have attained.

CHINA'S FORMER EMPEROR.

HIS DEPARTURE FOR TIENTSIN.

Peking, Feb. 24.

The Japanese Legation, in the course of a statement, say that the ex-Emperor suddenly left for Tientsin by train last evening. The Legation this morning notified the Chief Executive and the Foreign Minister of the fact for their information. In this connection, it is true that the ex-Emperor had the intention to leave the capital, and as far as the Legation is aware the Government of the Chief Executive had knowledge of the ex-Emperor's desire, but had no intention to interfere. It was supposed, however, that some time would elapse before the ex-Emperor's wish could be realised. His sudden departure contrary to the above expectation is surmised to have been caused by the threatening articles recently published in some papers in the capital.

It is learned from other sources that the ex-Emperor entrained for Tientsin accompanied by only a couple of servants, and that his luggage consisted of one suitcase.

On arrival at Tientsin the ex-Emperor drove to the Yamato Hotel, in the Japanese Concession, where he is staying, but it is believed that he will leave in a day or two and take up residence in a private house.

The ex-Emperor's wives and servants entrained for Tientsin this morning, taking a large amount of luggage.—Daily Bulletin.

SOUTH AFRICAN "TESTS."

CONCLUSION OF SERIES.

Port Elizabeth, Feb. 24.

In the fifth and last unofficial Test match, South Africa compiled 183, (Siedle 52), Geary taking 5 for 63.

The English eleven replied with 94, Nupon taking 4 for 30. South Africa knocked up 200 in the second innings, Cattorall contributing 86.

The Englishmen then compiled 258 (Tyldesley 79, Holmes 62), Hall taking 5 for 76. South Africa thus won by 21 runs.—Reuter.

GOLD SHIPMENTS.

A GERMAN RESERVE.

New York, Feb. 24.

Messrs. Morgans are shipping two and a half million dollars in gold to Berlin, thus completing the fifty million dollars shipped according to the agreement made when the recent German loan of a hundred and ten million dollars was negotiated.

The gold already shipped has been used by the Reichsbank in establishing a gold reserve for Germany's new currency. The balance of the loan will be kept in New York as a credit for the German Government.—Reuter.

REVOLVER FOUND.

CHINESE ON TRIAL.

Lau Cheung, charged at the Criminal Sessions this morning with possession of a revolver and six rounds of ammunition, and with receiving the revolver well knowing it to have been stolen, pleaded not guilty.

Mr. H. K. Holmes prosecuted. His Lordship asked if the case had anything to do with one heard yesterday in which Li Wing was sentenced for shooting with intent. Li Wing had tried to say something about exonerating another man who was charged.

Mr. Holmes said that both men were arrested in a raid on 122, Woosung Street, Yaumatei. If prisoner required Li Wing called, it could be arranged.

Prisoner intimated that he would like Li Wing to appear on his behalf.

Mr. Holmes, dealing with the facts of the present case said that a man was seen trying to escape from the premises by breaking through a bamboo fence on top of the wall separating Nos. 122 and 124. Sergt. Tyler and a Chinese constable would say that they could identify the prisoner, and another constable would say that it was a fat man dressed in a dark suit. Subsequently a revolver was found in the backyard of No. 124, just below the spot where the man was standing. The case is proceeding.

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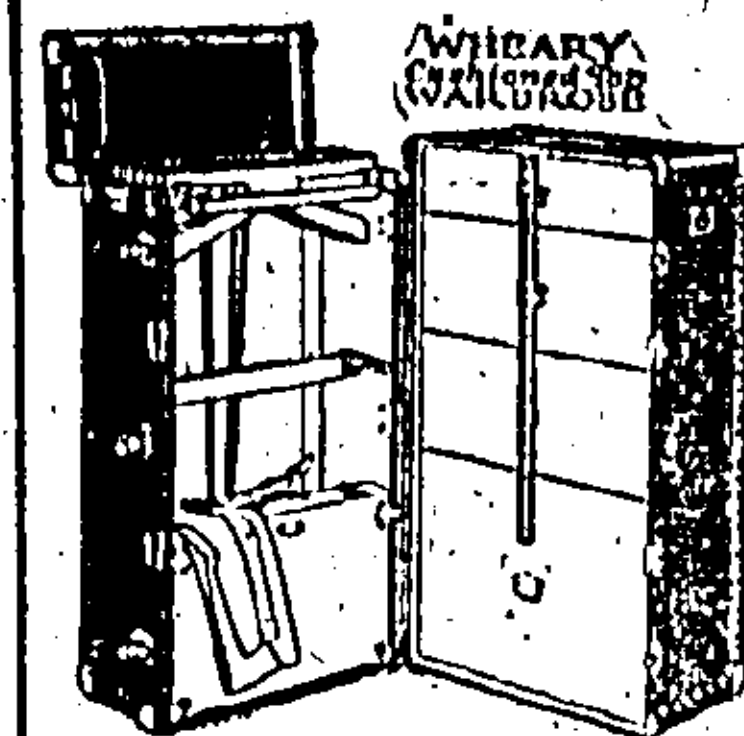
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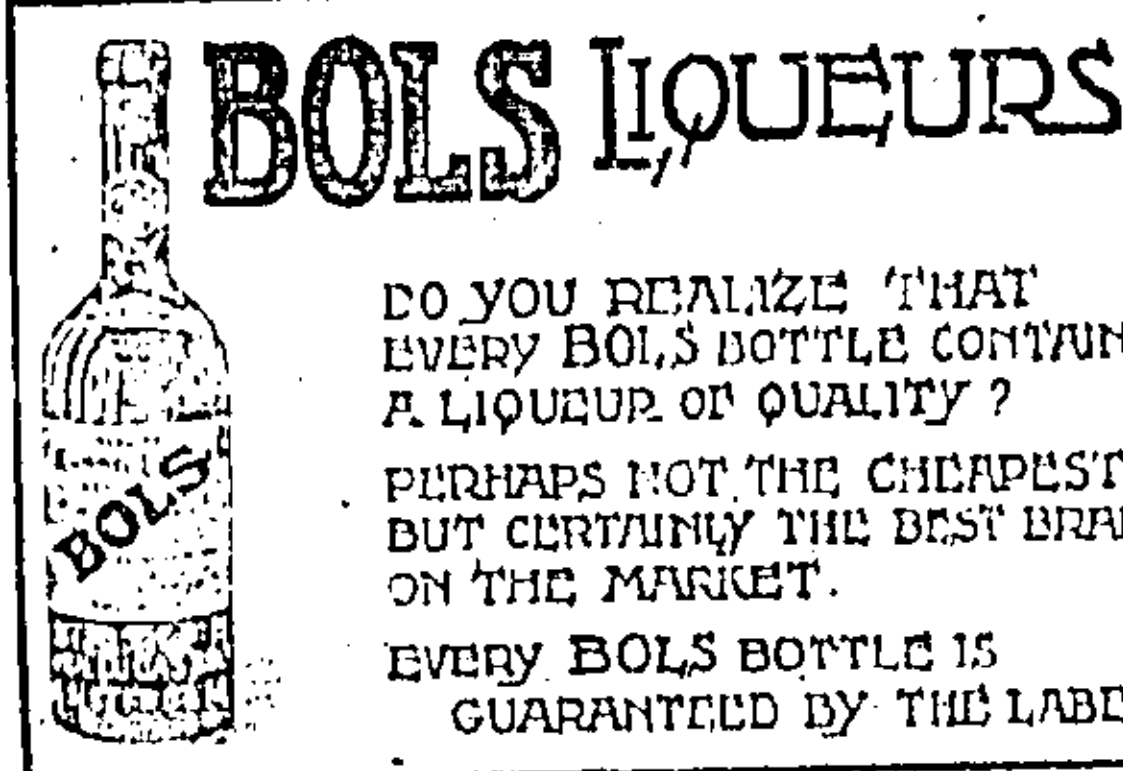
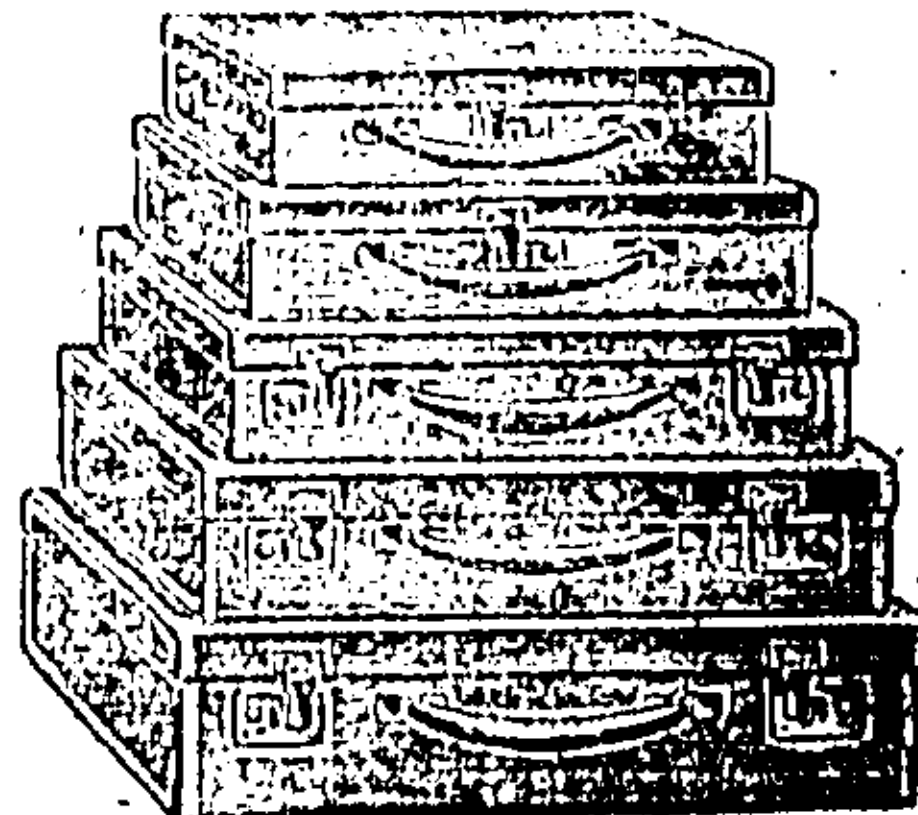
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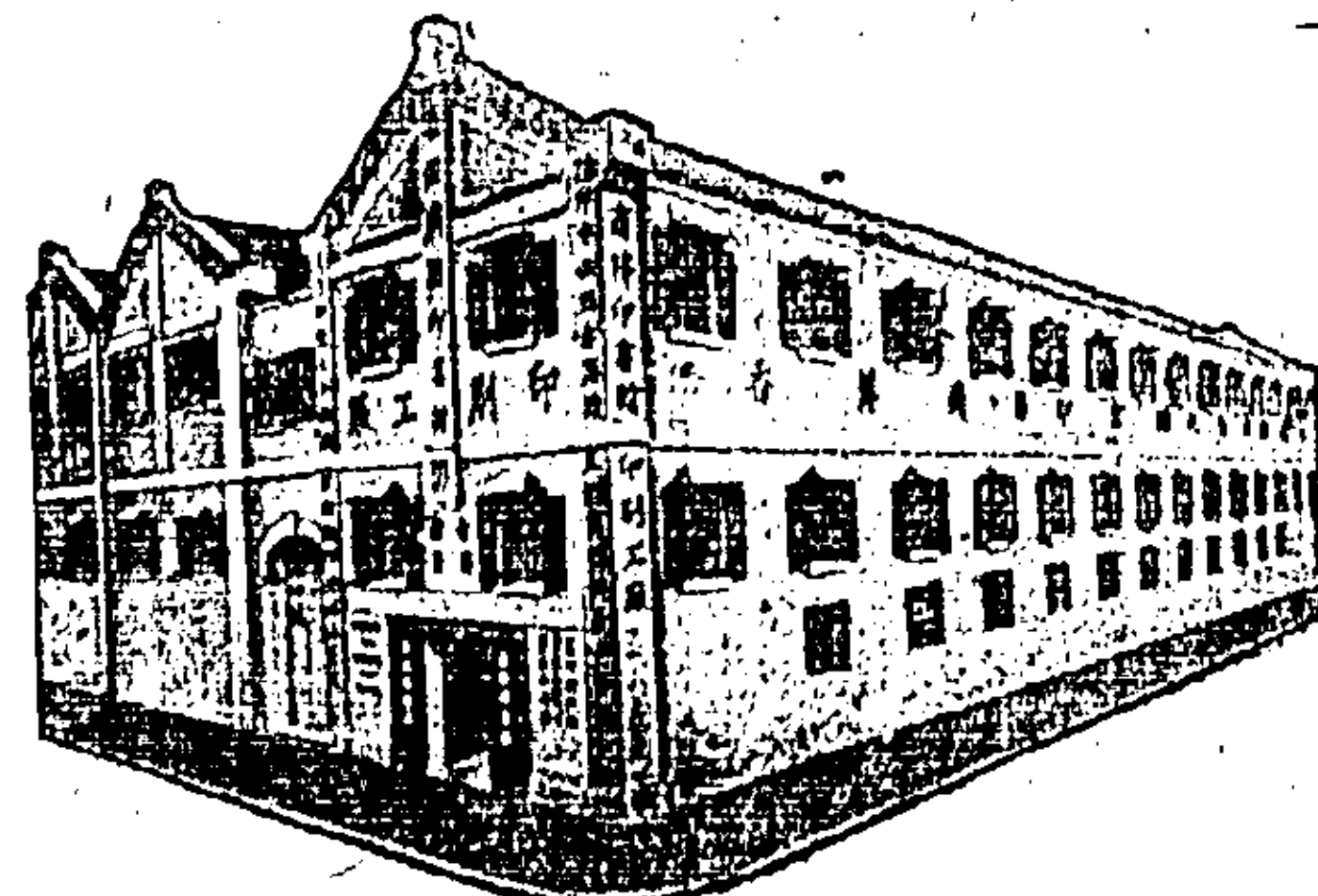
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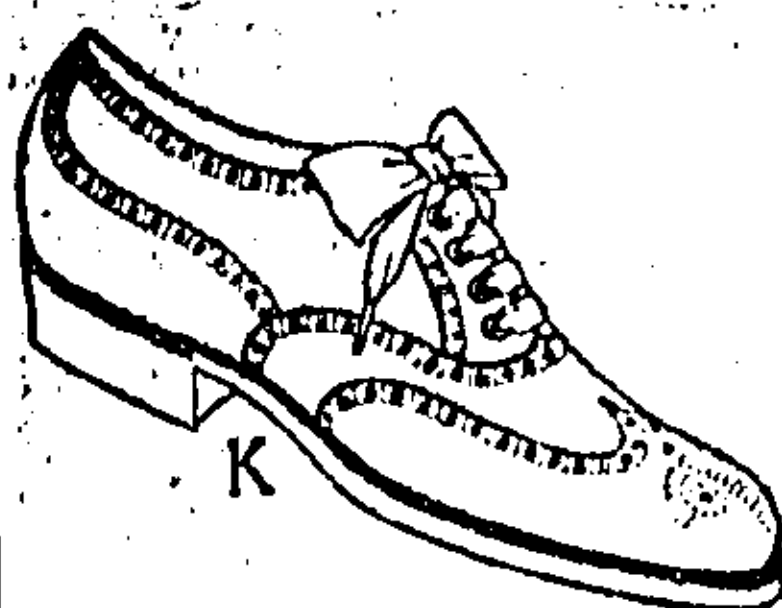
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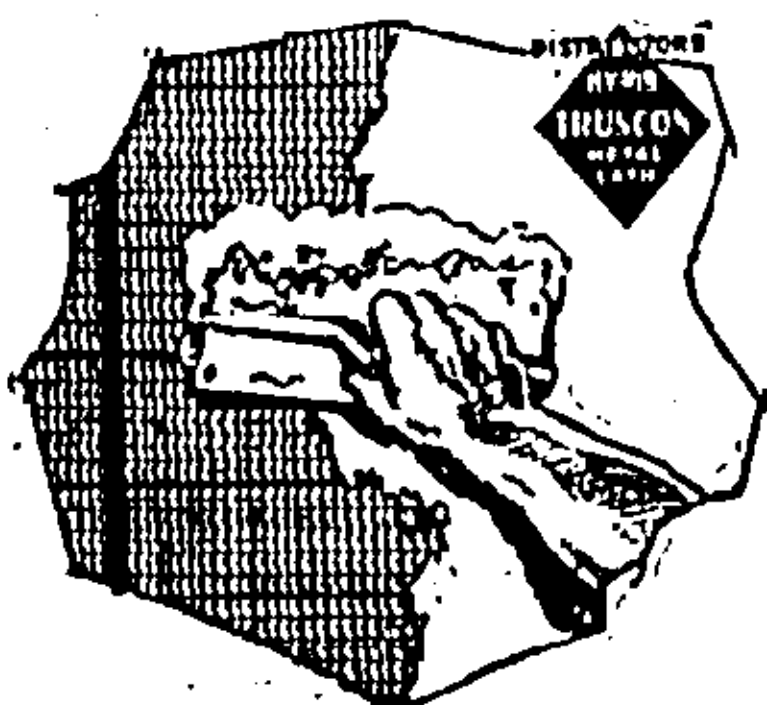
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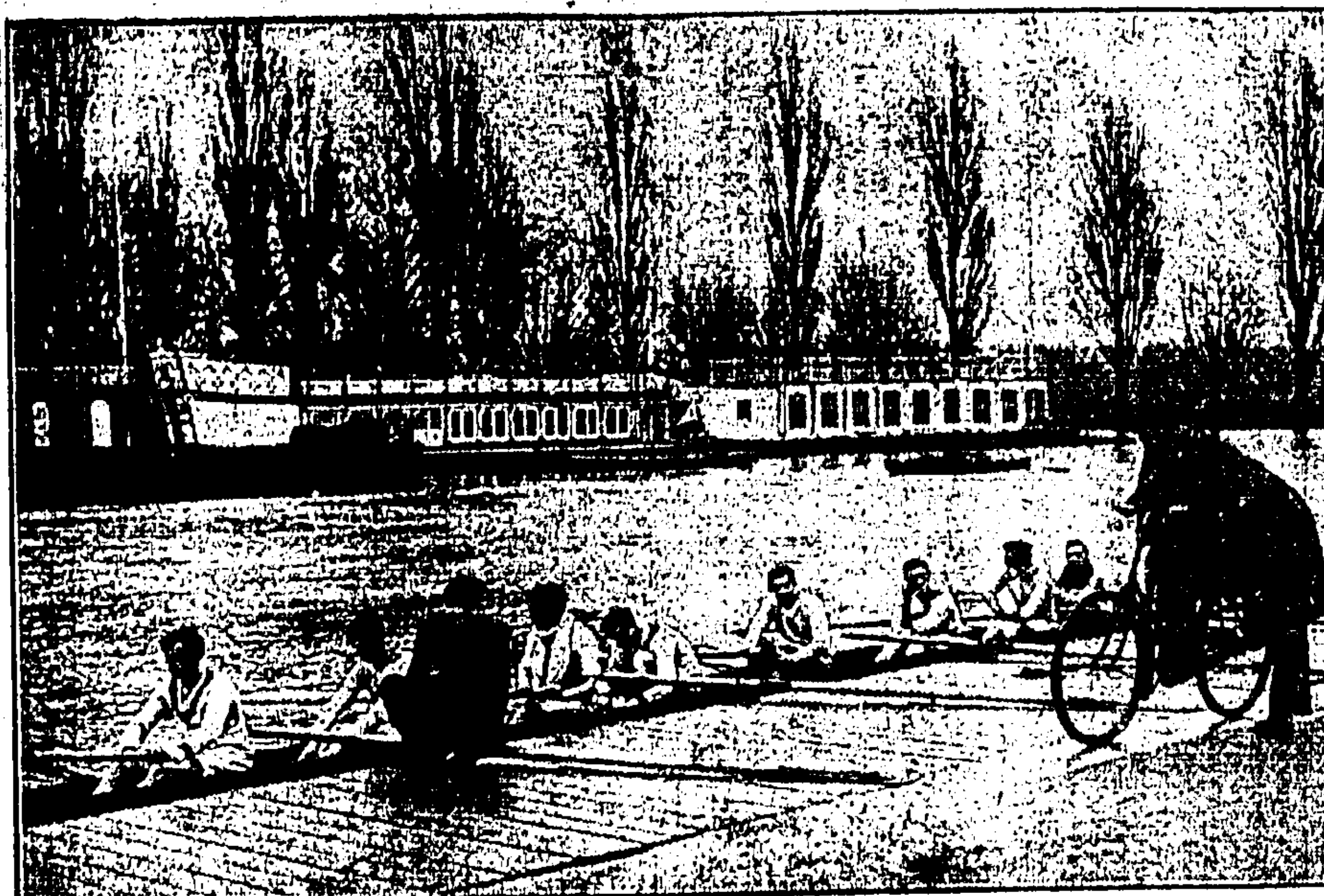
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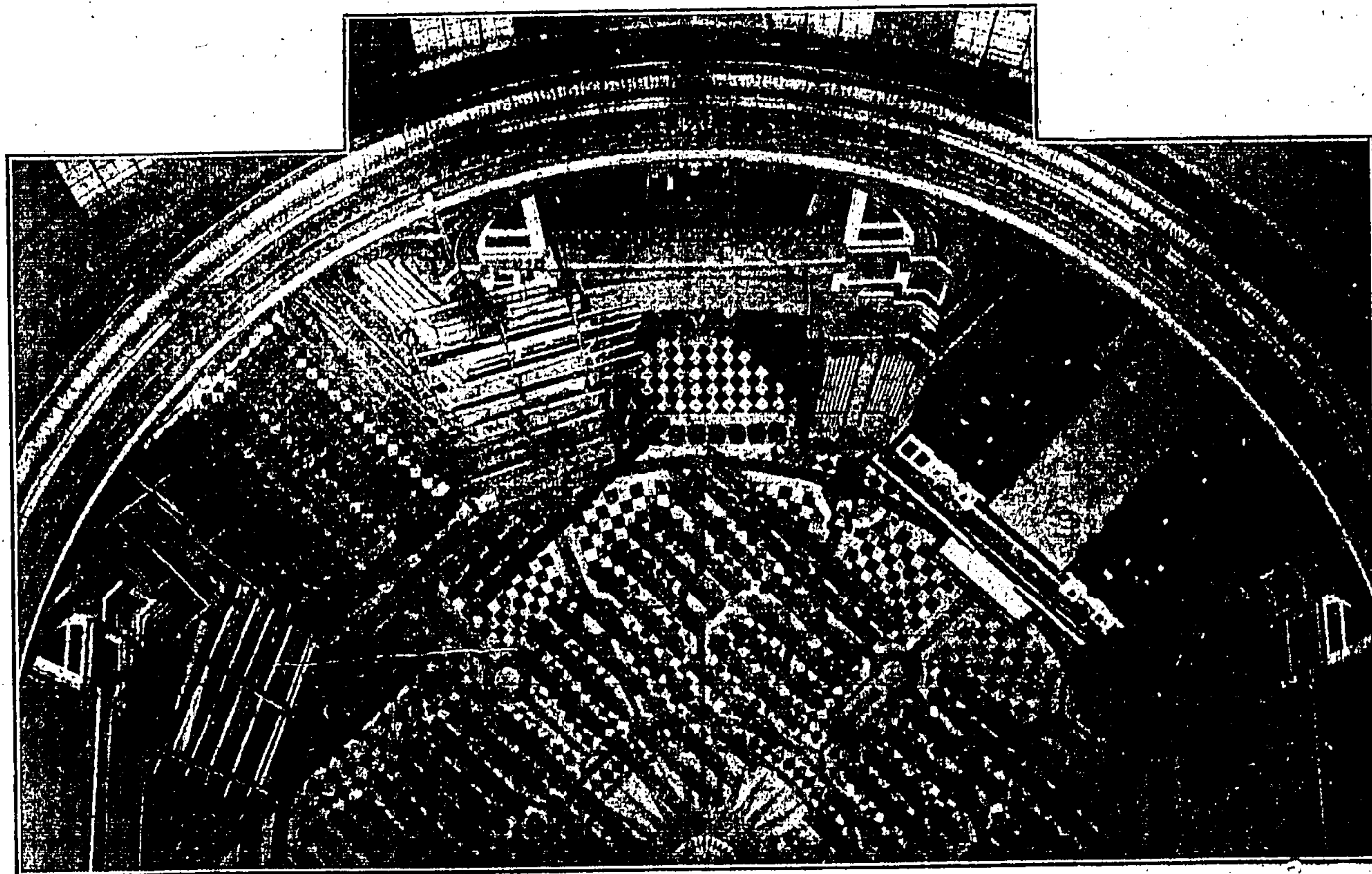
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OXFORD AT BOAT RACE PRACTICE.—Mr. G. L. Mower-White, President of the Oxford University Boat Club (right), coaching the crew on January 14, when Oxford began Boat Race practice. ("The Times" copyright photograph).



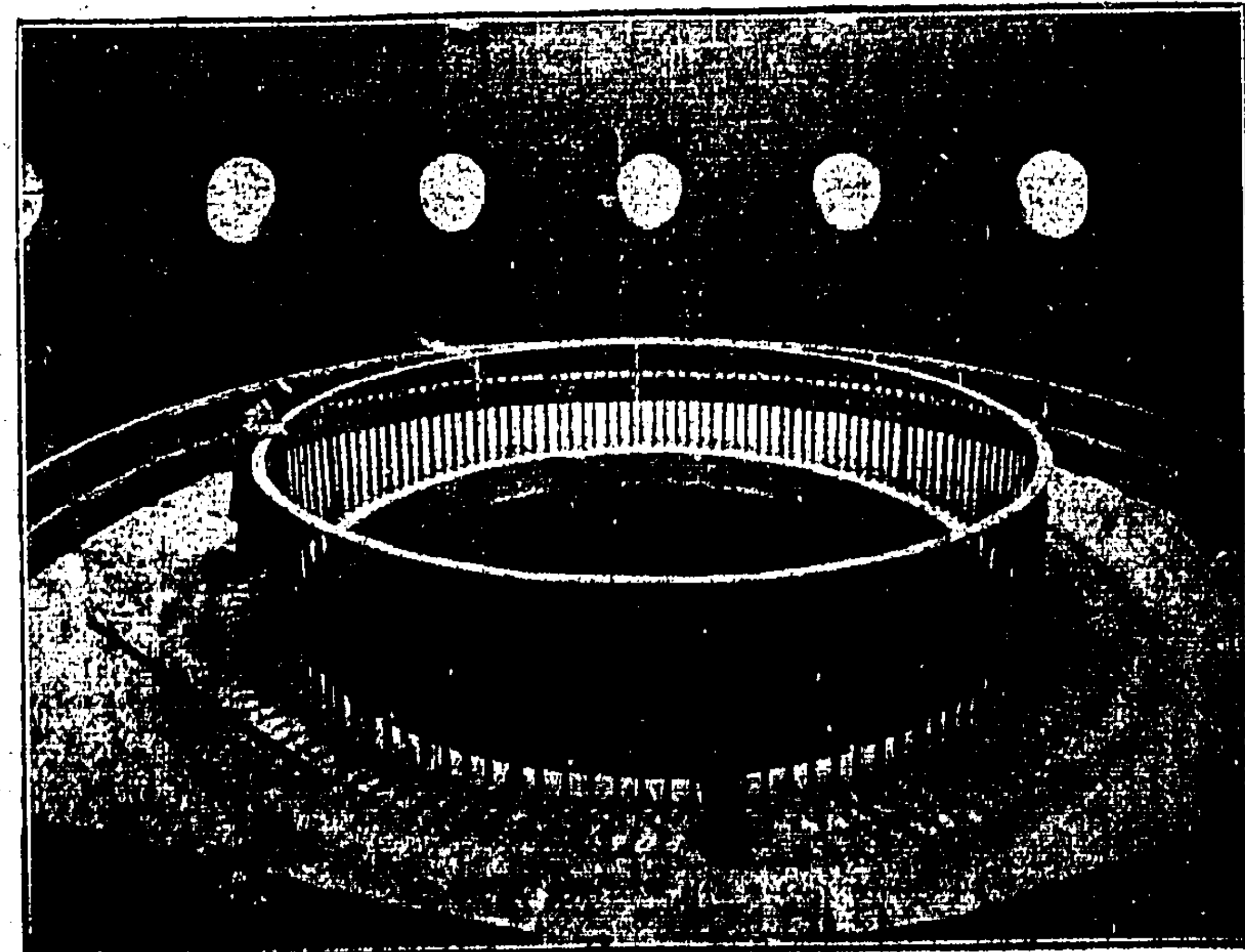
"THE RUSSIANS ARE COMING."—This cry was terrifying to the Central China forces, so much so that the mere mention of Russians apparently induced flight. Note the Russian officer just behind the Manchurian military leader. These Russians, all "White," are reported to have become naturalized Chinese citizens.



IN ST. PAUL'S.—An unfamiliar view in St. Paul's Cathedral looking through the circular opening in the "false" dome to the floor. The nave is seen on the right. Included in the photograph are four of the faulty piers, two of them surrounded by scaffolding. ("The Times" copyright photograph).



NOTED ARCHITECT.—Mr. Mayne Macartney, Architect to the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's, was one of the members of the Expert Commission which reported on the danger to the condition of St. Paul's Cathedral. ("The Times" copyright photograph).



INSIDE THE DOME.—A new photograph taken inside the dome of St. Paul's Cathedral. It shows the raised circular opening in the centre of the "false" dome and the brick wall of the dome which supports the lantern. ("The Times" copyright photograph).

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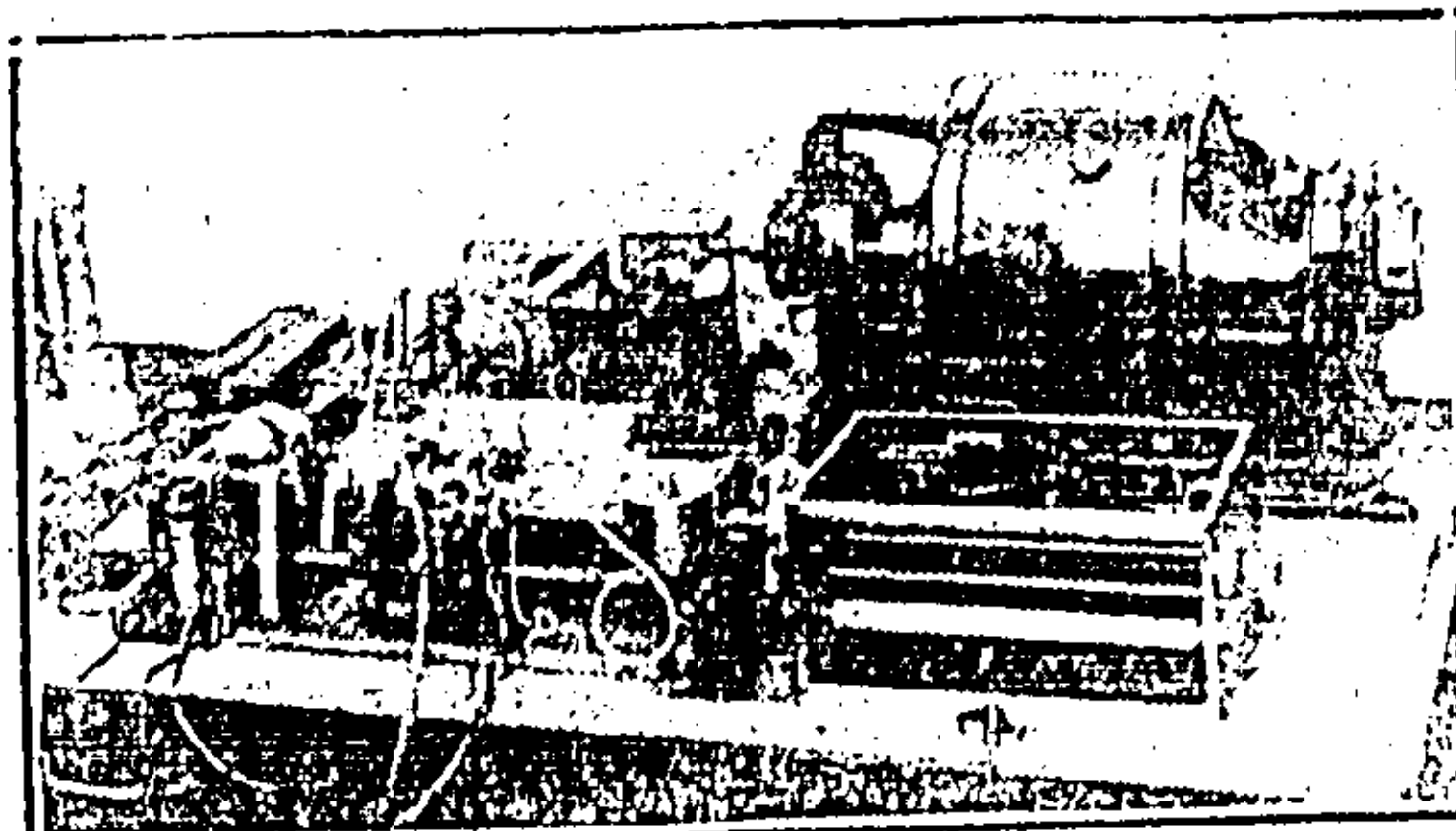
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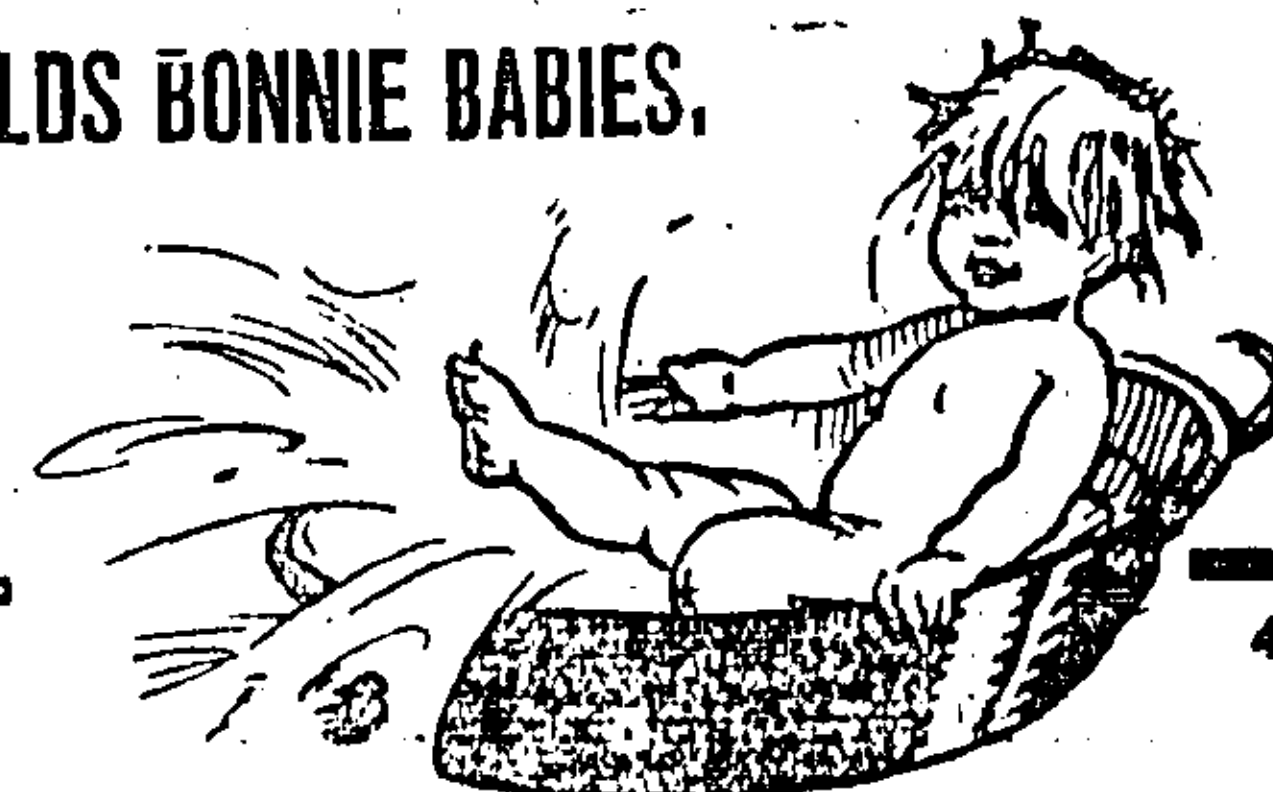
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RADIO NOTES AND NEWS**Wireless Has No Babel.**Languages, as well as distance
mean nothing in radio.Proof of this is a system in
which a speaker in any language
can be heard by his listeners in
the languages they know best.This has actually been tried out
successfully at a meeting in New
York between Mexican automo-
bile representatives and American
delegates. It was during the
conference of the Mexican Auto-
mobile Mission held at the
offices of the National Automobile
Chamber of Commerce.The success of this trial points
to more widespread and enlarged
use of the system hereafter.
Diplomatic conferences, League
of Nations meetings and other
such international assemblies
might easily adopt the plan and
save considerable time and
expense.At the Mexican conference, two
microphones were installed in a
small room next to the conference
room. In this room also were
the transmitting apparatus and
an auditory device so that the
operators in this room might
hear all that was going on at the
conference. At the same time
they were enabled to see every-
thing in the next room, through
two large windows.A line from each microphone
went to the amplifier and from
here was directed to the seats in
the conference room. Each
delegate had a pair of ear phones
provided for him.Each microphone was in the
charge of an interpreter, one from
English to Spanish, the other
from Spanish to English. Each
microphone also had a separate
line to the delegates from one of
the two countries represented.Thus, the Spanish to English
interpreter talked to the Ameri-
can delegates, and the other inter-
preter to the Mexican delegates.While an American was speak-
ing his own colleagues could lay
down their earphones and listen
to him directly. At the same
time, the English to Spanish in-
terpreter was translating his talk
for the benefit of the Mexicans,
who were listening through their
earphones.The result is no more time
taken up by interpretations after
a talk is finished. The actions of
each speaker are understood by
all present.This system could easily be en-
larged for the use of a more
diversified meeting. All that is
needed is more interpreters, with
additional amplifiers, micro-
phones and earsets, to accom-
modate all languages.In a meeting of ten nations, for
instance, while one language
would be understood directly, the
other nine would be interpreted
through as many amplifiers andmicrophones and heard through
separate earphones.**RADIO REMARKS.****Recent Pronouncements of Interest.**Crowding of the other lanes
available to broadcasters has all
but reached a point where chaos
looms in the offing, with less prom-
ise than ever before that a better
order soon may be established.—
Jacob M. Arvey, chairman
Chicago Radio Commission.Radio is just about the most
important industry of the age.
Interest in radio will increase
during the next decade. Radio
will soon be on the same
plane as the automobile industry.
—James F. Korr, general manager
radio shows.We will be able some time to
forecast in a general way what
radio reception conditions will be
each day.—Dr. L. W. Austin,
radio physical laboratory, U. S.
Bureau of Standards.It seems probable that broad-
casting is permanently established
as a public necessity and may be
considered as indispensable in
the average home as the tele-
phone.—Commissioner D. B.
Carson, Bureau of Navigation.**SHORT CUTS.****Things to Know in A Receiver.**Keep the "low loss" in low-
loss coils by making them self
supporting. If four leads are
taken from such a coil leave the
ends of the windings long enough
to solder to bus wire attached
and perpendicular to the terminals
of the instruments the coil leads
hook to. Making such a "cradle"
eliminates supports for coils that
might cause losses.Selectivity of some circuits
such as the super-heterodyne can**EXCLUSIVE IN PERU.**
Broadcasting is a monopoly in
Peru, and the government has
consented to it. A ten-year con-
cession has been granted one
company for exclusive broadcast-
ing rights there.**CANADA BEST BUYER.**
Canada bought the majority
of radio exports from the United
States in recent months, the
Department of Commerce reports.
Australia was second in these
purchases.**CONCERTS APPLAUDED.**
More than 20,000 letters came
to station week alone, after the
first concert in which John Mc-
Cormack and Lucioza Borisang.
That's not counting the thousands
of letters that went to the other
six stations that broadcast their
concerts.**NEW WORD EVERY DAY.**
The crossword puzzle craze
started radio broadcasting stations
on the announcement of a new
word a day, its meaning and use.
A prominent lexicographer takes
the mike a minute every evening
and introduces his listeners to
the new words.**ONE IN PHILIPPINES**
A super-power broadcasting
station is being planned for the
Philippines, according to Rear
Admiral W. H. G. Bullard, re-
tired. The station will be built
by the Radio Corporation of
America for its subsidiary com-
pany there.**IT'S A NERVE CURE.**
British hospitals look upon
radio as a treatment for nervous
cases and insomnia. Several
wireless installations have been
made in the hospitals for this
purpose.**LONDON IN DAYTIME.**
Perhaps it's a freak of recep-
tion, but Major Lawrence Mott,**RECEIVING THEM FROM LONDON.**This is the apparatus that received pictures in New
York just 20 minutes after they were sent from London by
engineers of the Radio Corporation of America.be increased by replacing the grid
leak condenser with a C-battery.
The battery is hooked between
the A-plus line and the filament
terminal on the transformer, the
positive side going to the A-bat-
tery line.Vernier potentiometer can be
made, by hooking a 30-ohm
rheostat in the negative lead to
the potentiometer, leaving the
positive and grid-return leads as
they are.A .00025 mfd. fixed condenser
shunted across the aerial and
ground binding posts will decrease
interference from local stations
in many types of sets.A small brass rod filed to a
square point and inserted in a
cork handle to protect the hands
will make a fine soldering iron
for delicate work.**COST OF BROADCASTING.**
Women-entertainers of WHAA,
the University of Iowa's station
at Iowa City, don't know what to
do with the large number of pro-
posals they have been receiving
from all sides of the continent.
It's worse when the fact is known
that each is already married.**SOUNDHOUSE FOR SHIPS.**
Instead of a lighthouse, ships
at sea with special receiving
equipment, get their bearing from
a soundhouse, situated on an
island in the Firth of Forth.**PRIZES FOR BEST WORK.**
The Argentine navy offers
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who can copy code messages of
30 words at the rate of 22, 24 and
26 words a minute.**ICED AIR BY RADIO.**
One of the freaks of radio in-
vention is a process of refriger-
ation. Someone, it is said, is
seriously working on a system of
cooling by radio!noted radio amateur, whose set
is on Catalina Island, off the
California coast, reports he
heard station 2LO, near London,
during the international tests.**FORECASTING STATIC.**
The U. S. weather bureau has
been asked, by numerous fans, to
broadcast static conditions, just
as it does the weather. Since
static comes with the weather,
is it may be a good idea.**PHILATELIC ROMANCE.****Postage Stamp and Panama.**An interesting story of the part
played by a postage stamp in
determining the site of the
Panama Canal is told in E. P.
Mitchell's "Memoirs of an
Editor," published recently in
America.In 1902 a "battle of routes"
was raging in the American
Senate over whether the Canal
should pass through Nicaragua
or Panama. The advocates of
Nicaragua emphasized the danger
of earthquakes in the Panama
zone, and, in spite of the five
volcanoes displayed on its coast of
arms, pleaded Nicaragua's long
immunity from seismic and vol-
canic disturbance.Unfortunately for their case,
someone secured a supply of
Nicaraguan stamps issued two
years before and sent a copy to
each member of the Senate. A
view engraved on the stamp
showed the volcano of Mom-
otombo pouring forth clouds of
smoke and, in the foreground, a
group of docks which, since the
stamp was printed, had been
obliterated by the activity of one
of the eruptions. The author of
this ingenious manoeuvre must
have been well content when,
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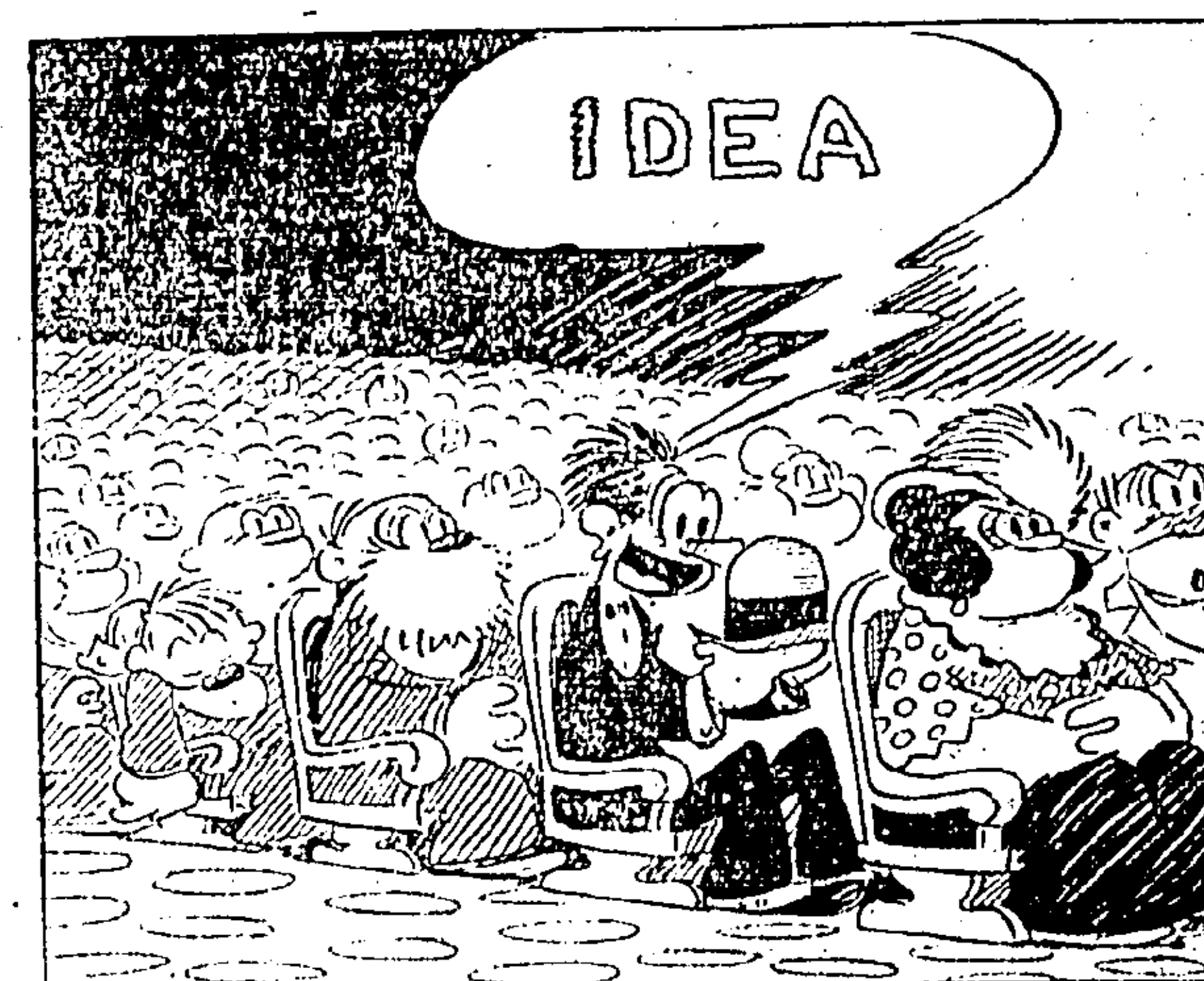
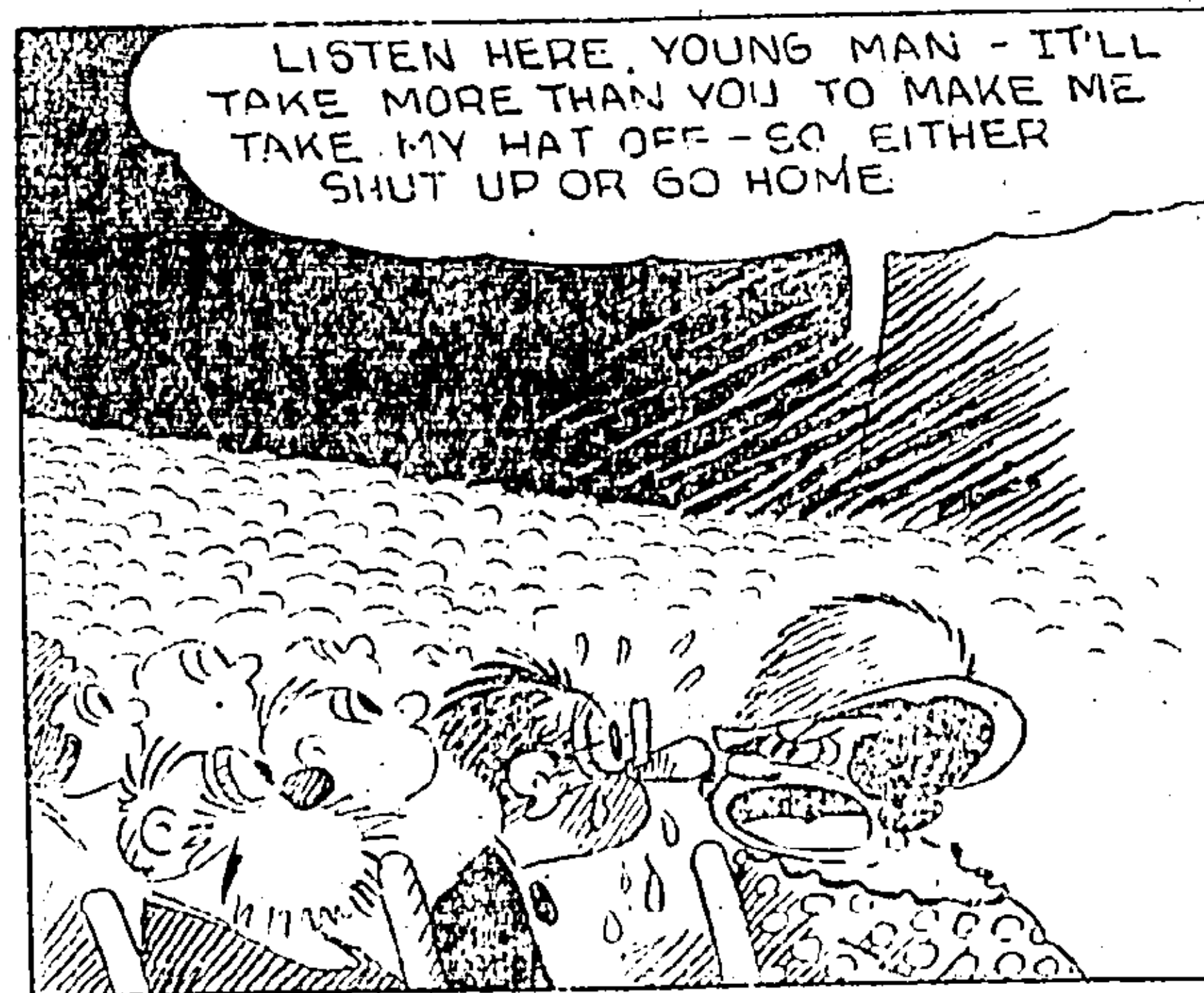
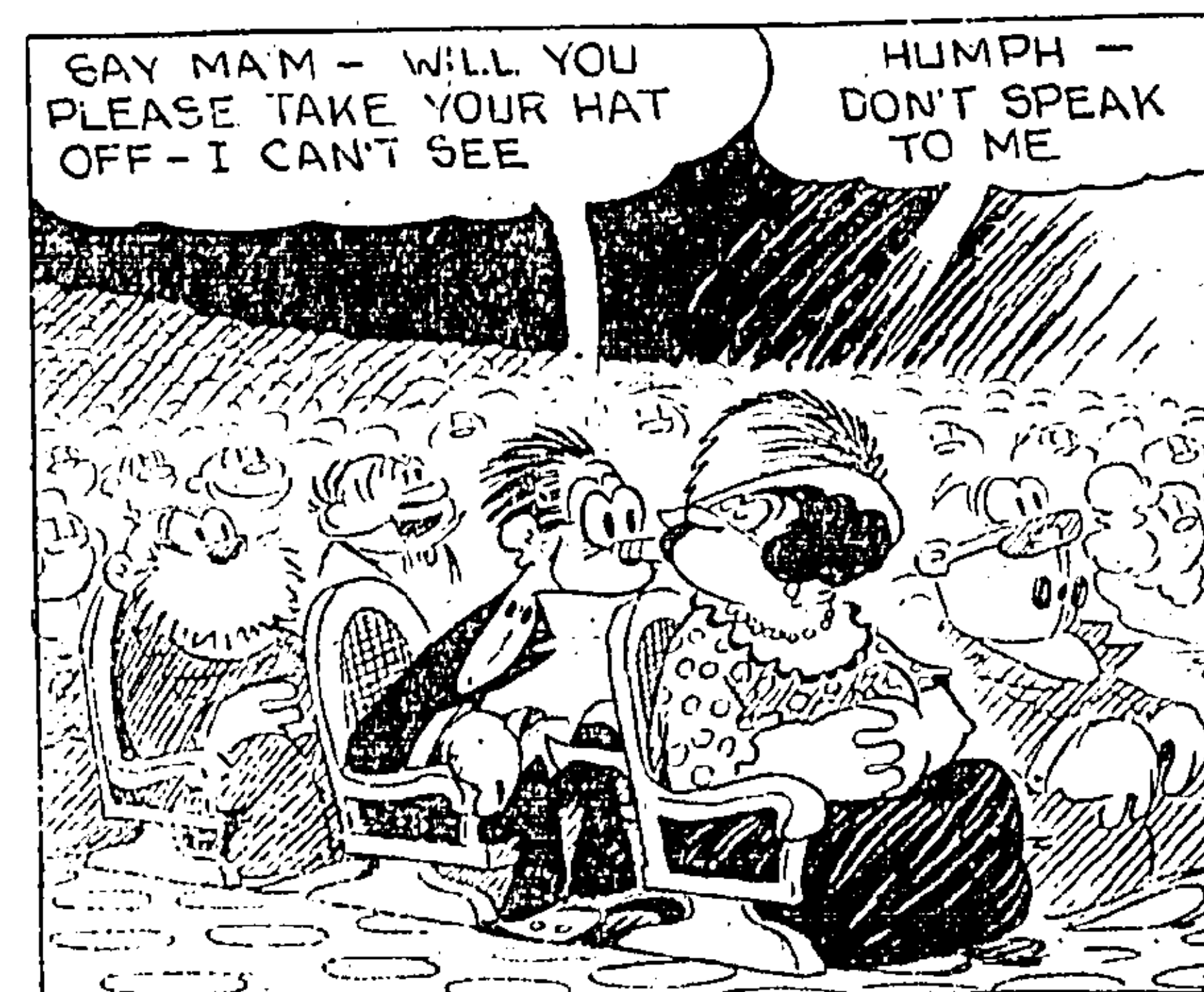
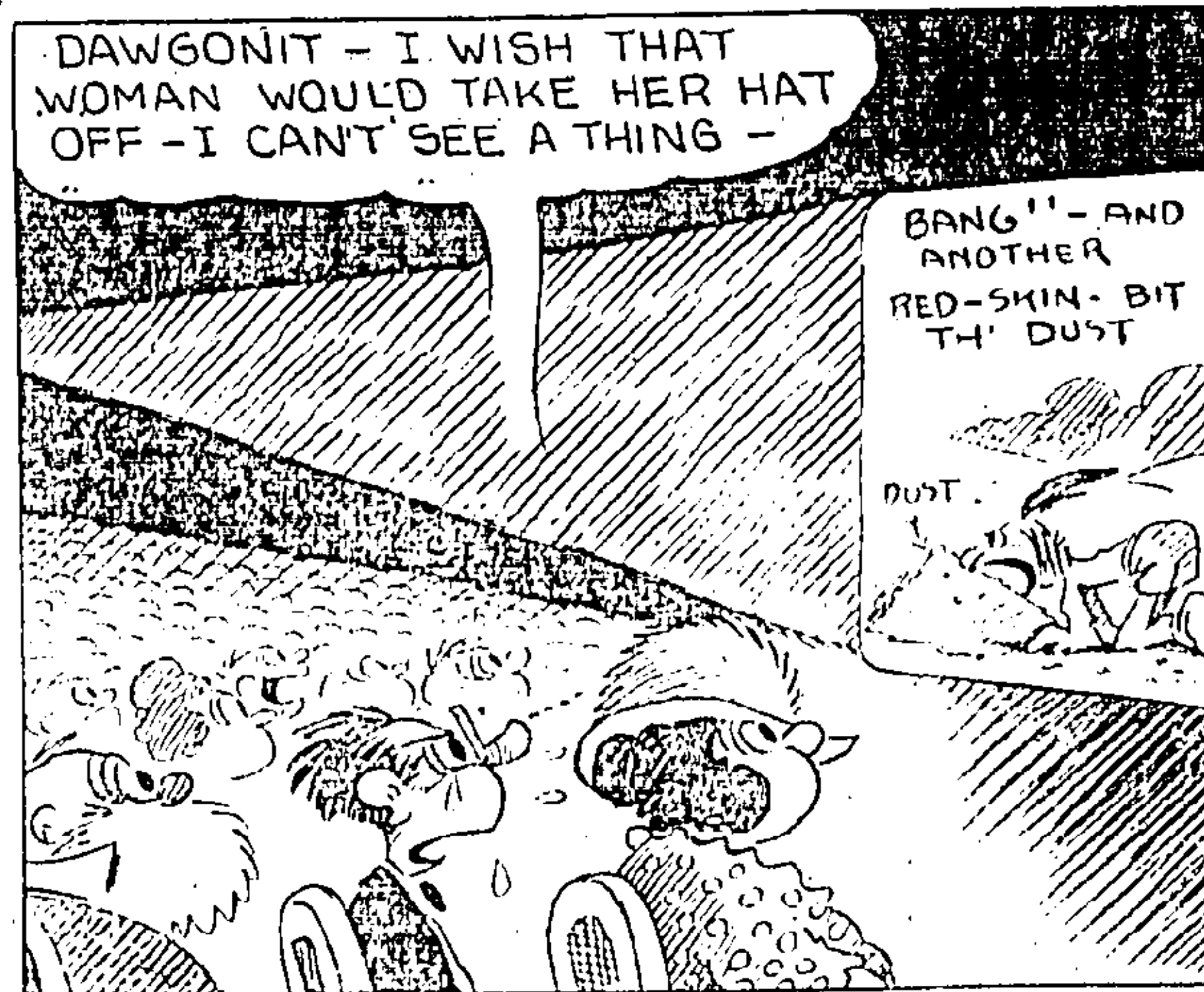
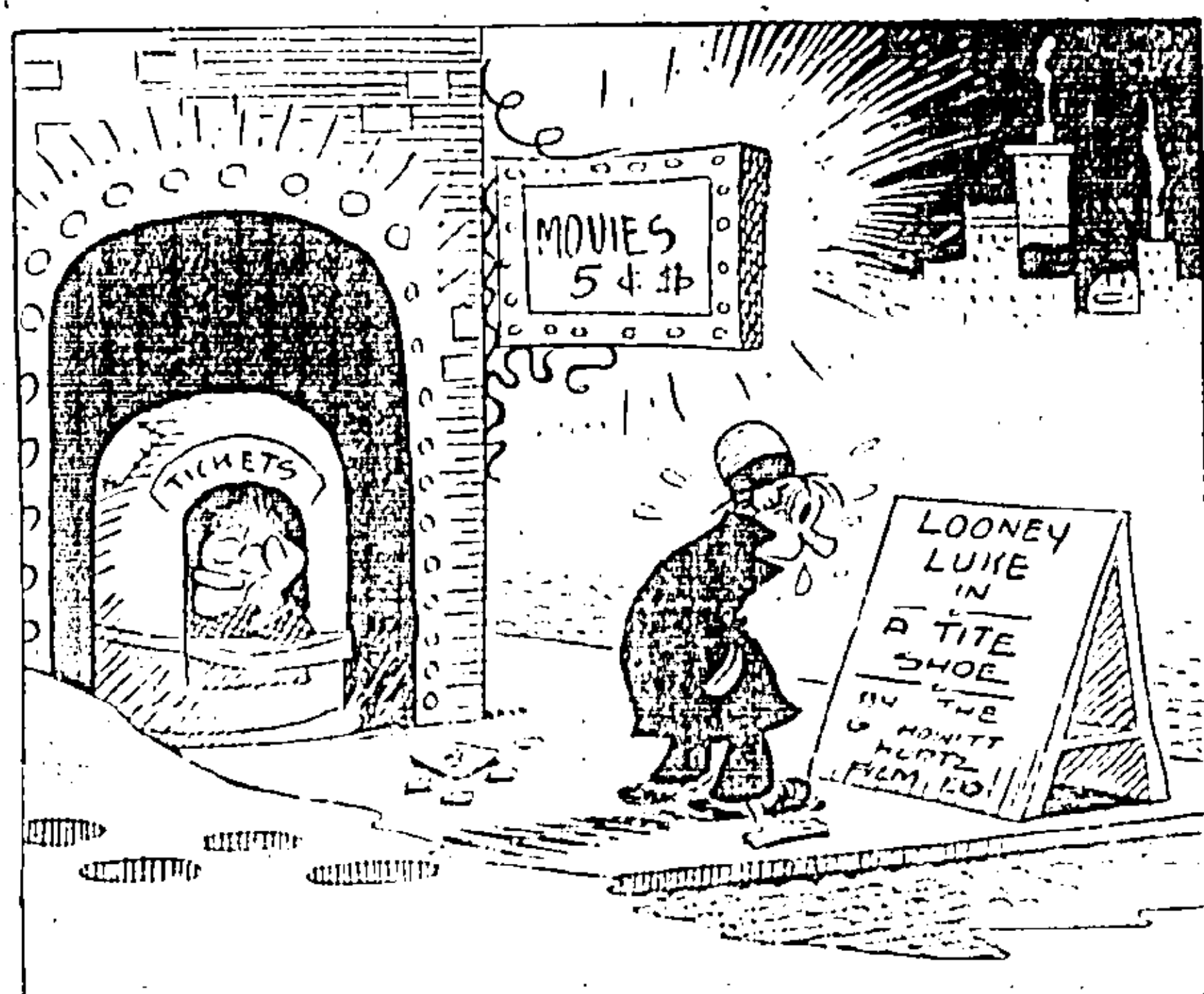
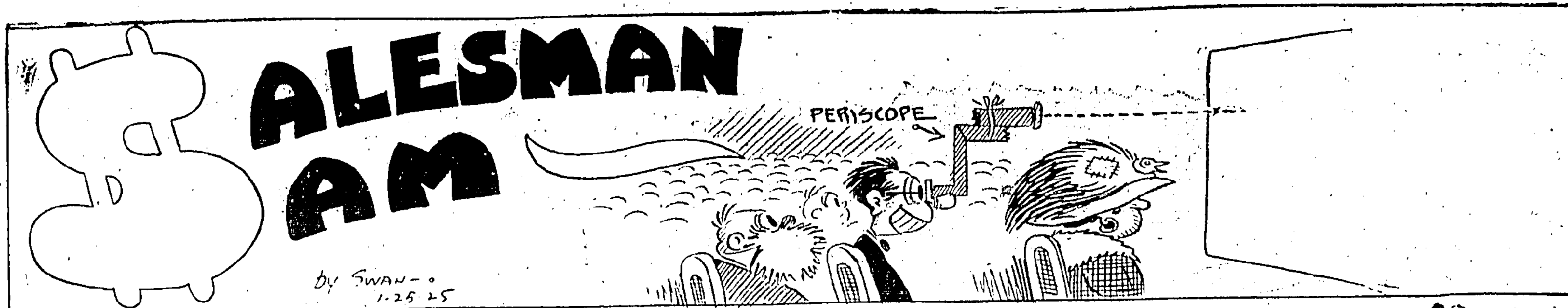


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SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Hydras	Chiu On	Swatow	25th Feb.
Hutchings	Douglas	Swatow via Swatow	25th Feb.
Derwent	Ta. Yuen	Singapore	25th Feb.
Hainan	K. O. Wan	Manila	25th Feb.
Pras. McKinley	J. Manner & Co.	Bangkok via Kohachang	25th Feb.
Hitang	Thoreau & Co.	Bangkok via Kohachang	25th Feb.
Hermelin	M. S. K.	Kelung via Swatow	25th Feb.
Amakusa M.	Suzuki & Co.	Kelung	25th Feb.
Shimizu M.	Suzuki & Co.	Kelung	25th Feb.

Impending Departures.

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing
Nanking	J. M. Co.	Dunkirk	26th Feb.
Taipei	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Chongching	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Hutchings	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Tanla	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Yuenang	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Rheas	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Leasag	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Takag	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Antioch	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Merocoe	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.
Lusag	J. M. Co.	Kobe	26th Feb.

Impending Arrivals.

Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Auton	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	2nd Mar.
Hakone M.	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	9th Mar.
Em. of Canada	C. P. & L.	Shanghai	11th Mar.
Emden	B. & S.	Kobe	14th Mar.

Consignees Diary.

Vessel	Agents	Goods	Free	Claims	Examina-
Flam	D. & O.	Rowloon	Feb. 25	Mar. 4	Feb. 23
Yen McKinley	D. & O.	Rowloon	Feb. 25	Mar. 4	Feb. 23
Shimizu M.	D. & O.	Rowloon	Feb. 25	Mar. 4	Feb. 23
Amakusa M.	D. & O.	Rowloon	Feb. 25	Mar. 4	Feb. 23

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 Hongkong, 22nd Jan. 1925.

SAMPAN WOMAN'S OUTBURST.

In a sampan left in charge of two small boys, just off the Praya Wall, Water Police officers found four rattan bags each containing quantity of arms and ammunition, and at the Criminal Sessions this morning, the mistress was charged with possession of 15 revolvers, 7 pistols and 9200 rounds of ammunition. She pleaded not guilty.
 Mr. H. K. Holmes appeared for the Crown and said that the bags were exceptionally heavy and must have excited suspicion, especially as six Luger stocks fell out of one of the baskets which was broken.
 The two boys gave evidence and stated that the baskets were carried into the sampan by passengers who asked their mistress to carry them. They were not touched.
 Mr. Justice Gompertz said that, possession being proved, the onus was upon the woman to prove that she did not know the contents. The Ordinance was worded in such a way as to imply that the mistress could have made enquiries as to the contents of the bag. There were several points in the woman's favour and he would leave it to the jury to decide.
 The jury found prisoner guilty, and sentence of five years' hard labour was passed.
 The woman broke down and screamed out something in reference to an aged mother-in-law. She sobbed continually whilst being assisted from the dock.

CHEAP LOAF PLAN.

Liverpool to Control World's Grain.
 A way to cheaper bread by making Liverpool the world's grain dealing centre, and thus eliminating the controlling interest Chicago now holds, was outlined recently to the Royal Commission on Food Prices by Mr. Hay Thoburn.
 His scheme seeks to set up a Board of Grain Commissioners, with the object of securing and automatically maintaining a regular and sufficiently large supply of wheat to the United Kingdom, and is of particular interest these days.
 It includes the construction of a system of elevators at our sea ports; to be linked up with the great elevator system of Canada, our Dominions, and other Allied countries, with a series of smaller country elevators for home grain at suitable inland centres when there is a local demand.
 The scheme also includes a new system of Imperial grain warrants. The Commissioners it was suggested, should be practical business men, not identified with any political party.
 Food prices, Mr. Hay Thoburn contended, could only be reduced by bringing producers and consumers as closely as possible together.
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 If the plan were carried out Liverpool would take the place of Chicago as the grain-dealing centre. The British Government, he said, should construct the elevators, amalgamating with those already existing in such places as the Mersey Docks, male less than half grown, but plump and very active. It began to feed heartily as soon as it entered its stall, and before closing time had already learned to look to visitors for tributes of buns. It appears to have taken no harm from four days experience of Thames fog. The Zoo has now three rhinoceroses - one from Tanganyika Territory two years ago; a young female, presented by the Prince of Wales on his return from his last trip to India; and the new arrival.

SURREYS SERGEANTS' BALL.

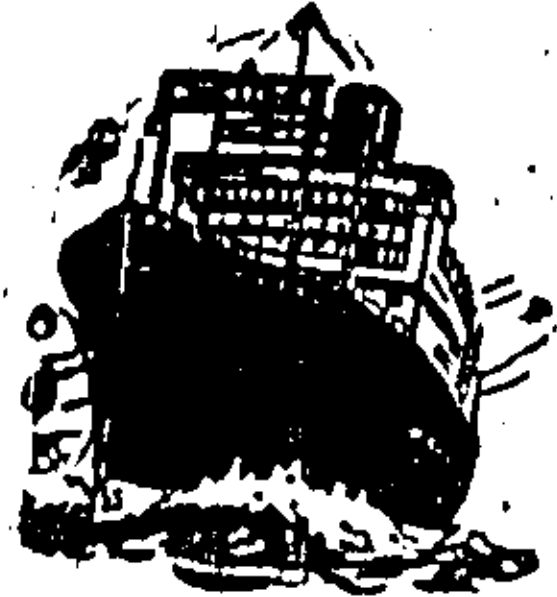
All who attended the annual ball of the W.O.'s and Sergeants of the 1st East Surrey Regiment yesterday, the Sobraon Anniversary, spent a thoroughly enjoyable evening, all arrangements being carried through without a hitch, and the dance music provided by the Titania Orchestra being excellent.
 There was no superfluous decoration, the patterned ferns and flowers which lined the stairway and the coloured electric lights proving sufficient to make the entrance bright and attractive.
 On a table at the stairhead the many cups and trophies won by the Regiment in athletic and other contests were laid out, and above this the Regimental colours held a prominent position high up on the wall.
 The ballrooms, effectively decorated, presented a gay scene, the usual sombre black of the civilian garb being conspicuous by its minority, the prevailing colours being the scarlet of the officers and the blue of the N.C.O.'s and naval contingent.
 Maj. Gen. C. C. Luard, accompanied by his A.D.C., and Commodore Stirling, put in an appearance early in the evening, but left shortly before eleven.
 Supper was carried through in three sittings, admission to each sitting being regulated by the colour of the invitation ticket. Other refreshment was to be obtained in the bar situated on the ground floor.
 There was a numerous attendance, including many officers from other regiments and ships, and not a few civilians. It was the soldier's evening however, and the most was made of the opportunity by all those who repeatedly encircled the efforts of the band and tirelessly danced through the whole programme until the early hours of the morning.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The gulls which are London's welcome winter visitors lie under a serious charge. A correspondent declares that hordes of them harass and worry all day long the pinioned ducks and geese on our ornamental waters. "It is now almost impossible for the ducks to secure any food thrown them by passers-by, as the gulls are too quick for them. If the ducks do succeed in securing a bit then they are harried till they drop it." To this persecution, or unfair competition, he ascribes the exile of mallards from the lake in St. James's Park; and suggests the firing of an occasional blank cartridge to frighten the gulls away. It seems a noisy measure, if not a desperate one.

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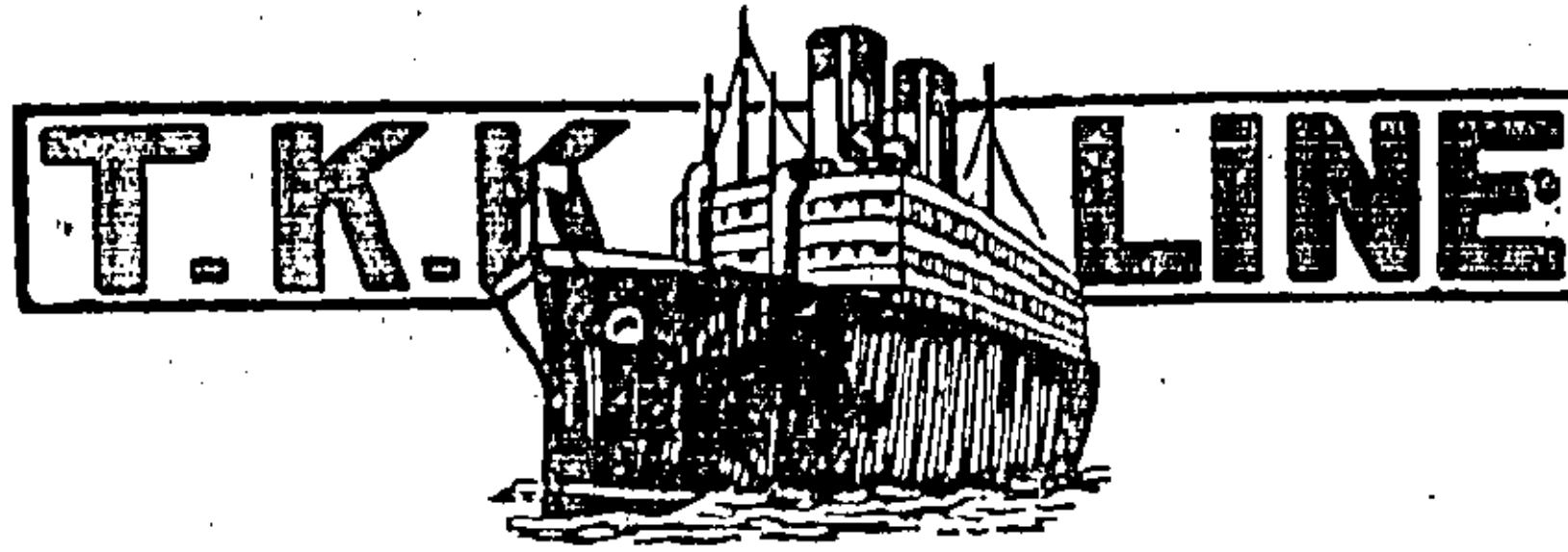
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RAILWAY COMPETITION.

The efficient way in which the members of the Kowloon Canton Railway branch of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade have been instructed in the art of first aid, was demonstrated yesterday on the Kowloon Football Club ground, when a cup, presented by Mr. Ho Fook, was competed for by three squads, consisting of four men each. The competitors were selected from a section of about 30 men. Of these, four had previously passed four First Aid examinations and six held the voucher or third year certificate, while the other two had passed their second annual examination.

Dr. W. B. A. Moore, assisted by Drs. J. H. Fehley and J. R. Craig performed the duties of judges and those present were Mr. E. Ralphs, assistant commissioner of the St. John's Brigade, Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. H. P. Winslow, manager of the Kowloon Canton Railway, and other Railway officials, including Messrs. G. H. Walker, J. Trevor and A. Morris. Sergeant F. Winyard, who is responsible for the excellent work of the men, was in charge of various squads.

This was the first competition of its kind to be held by the Railway Company, but in the near future it is hoped to have competitions between the Railway branch of the St. John's Brigade and other sections. The cup is to be competed for annually, but remains the property of the Company. The men of the Railway section have been lectured to by Dr. Moore and the practical work has been in the capable hands of Mr. Winyard. The competition yesterday covered all branches of first aid and the work of the men indicated a high standard. There were six tests arranged and these were carried out in a creditable manner.

The winning squad obtained 89 points out of a possible 120 and were nine points in front of their nearest opponents. The third squad obtained 66 points.

Before presenting the cup to the winners, Mr. Winslow thanked the officers and doctors who had brought the men to the high state of excellence in their work, which was very much appreciated by the Railway authorities. Mr. Winslow remarked on the disaster at Lytham last year and said that in the November issue of a London magazine, the Manager of the Railway Company stated that there was no finer work than that of saving human lives and alleviating human suffering.

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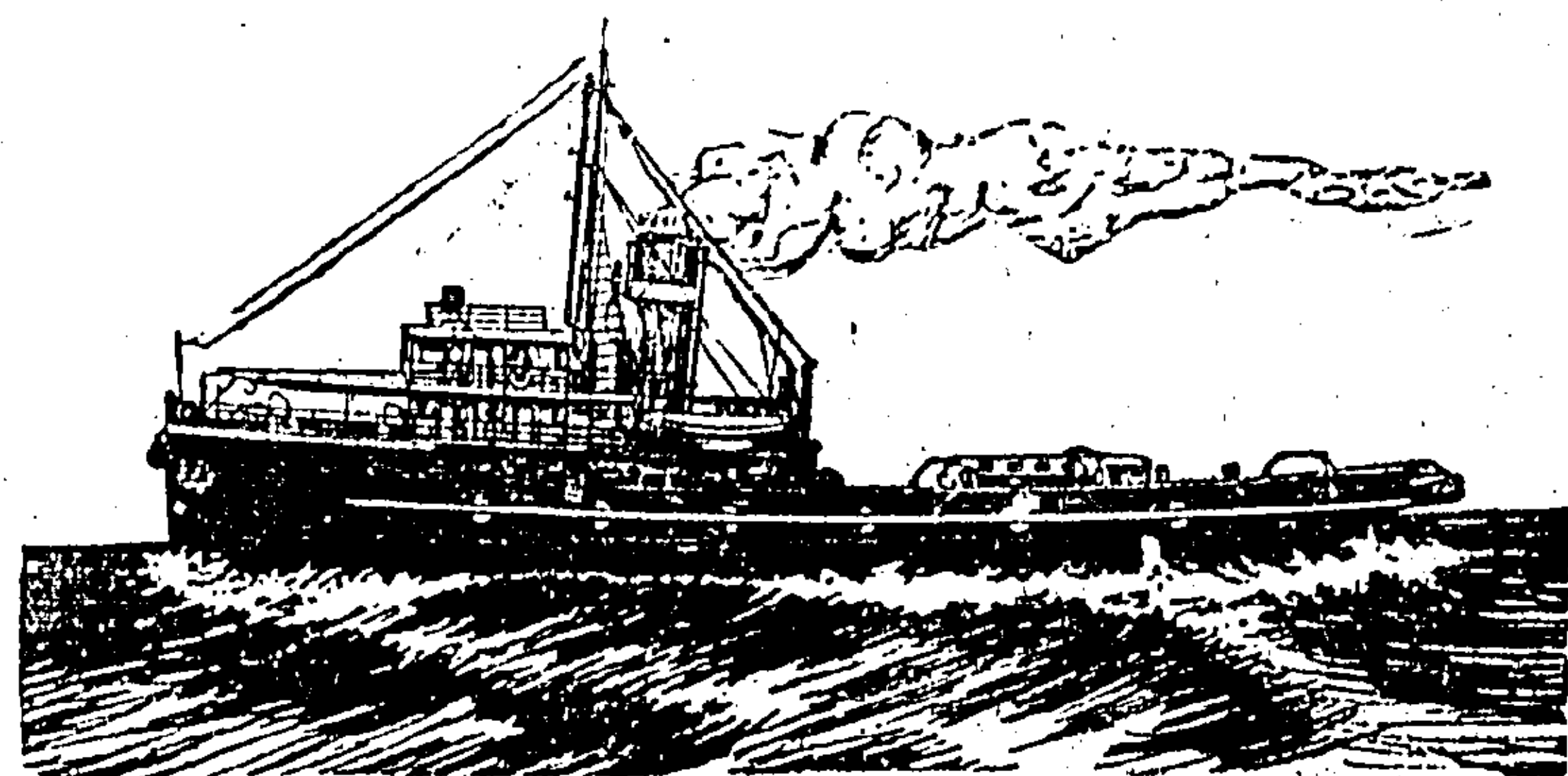
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JICILIA	10,941	23rd June	Marseilles & London

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4ALWA	6,956	28 Feb. 2 p.m.	(Manila, S'kan, Thursday Is., Townsville, B'bane, S'ney and Melbourne.)
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4ALWA	6,813	7th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
4ALWA	6,949	9th Mar.	Moji & Kobe
4ALWA	6,908	21st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
4ALWA	10,000	28th Mar.	Kobe
4ALWA	10,089	3rd April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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ANGERS	12th Feb.	17th Mar.	12th Apr.
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